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MLB Decries Stadium Delays

D.C. declared in default of lease on eve of RFK 'reopening'

WASHINGTON | Major League Baseball has declared the District government in default of the lease agreement for the new stadium, charging that the city has failed to meet several deadlines for turning over critical documents.

In a letter to city officials Tuesday, Tom Ostertag, a lawyer for MLB, said the city had failed to meet 11 provisions called for in the construction administration agreement between the District and MLB.

MLB's aggressive move came on the eve of the much ballyhooed "grand reopening" of Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium Friday when the Washington Nationals play the Chicago Cubs. The event is being promoted by the incoming Nationals ownership group headed by Theodore N. Lerner, which has said it is committed to improving the fan experience and upgrading the on-field performance of the struggling team.

The Lerner group had hoped to take ownership of the franchise from MLB by this week. But MLB's latest fight with the city has delayed the handoff, District government and baseball officials said. Under the terms of the lease agreement, the city has 30 days to respond to MLB's default notice and resolve the issues, or MLB could pursue legal action. DAVID NAKAMURA AND THOMAS HEATH (THE WASHINGTON POST)

♦ **Hardball:** Some officials say the notice may be a legal maneuver in case of a court fight | Today's Post, Metro

Israel Hints at Full-Scale Attack on Lebanon

AT A LOSS: A woman walks in the rubble of destroyed houses in south Lebanon on Thursday after they were targeted by Israeli missiles overnight. Heavy fighting continued with Hezbollah guerrillas as Israel told Lebanese residents in the south to flee. ♦ **Cease-fire:** U.N.'s Annan calls for end to fighting | Page 7

ON THE PROWL | Burnin' Hunk of Love A University of Central Florida student allegedly set a couch on fire in his dorm so he could meet women as the building was being evacuated, WKMG-TV reported. Matthew Damsky admitted to police that he

lit the furniture ablaze inside Academic Village dorms last week in the hope that he would be in the right place at the right time, officials said. He has been arrested for arson and is being held in jail. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

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COLLECTIONS

The Letter of the Law

A thief has police and business owners baffled after dozens of R's were stolen from signs around Greencastle, Ind. "We've lost our R's," said Randall Jones, president of Headley Hardware. The week-end caper targeted gas stations, restaurants, repair shops and medical offices, and nabbed half a dozen letters from a lighted marquee in front of a National Guard post. "I don't know if they think it's a joke, but to me it's just theft," said National Guard Sgt. Robert Lamb. "I just think it's disturbing." Putnam Inn manager Jane Hansen had R's taken from a sign in front of her motel. "Whoever's doing it needs to put their talents to something more constructive," she said. (AP)

R

FOILED SCHEMES

Or, Just Put Him First on the Ballot

David Gatchell of Franklin, Tenn., had his middle name changed to "None of the Above" last year and is suing to have it appear on the ballot when he runs for governor and U.S. Senate, The

Tennessean reported. State election commissioners voted in April not to include the name on the ballot, to avoid confusing the electorate. State election commissioner Bobby Sands noted that Gatchell did not sign his driver's license or legal documents with his adopted name. "He's playing games with the ballot," Sands said. (EXPRESS)



SANG TAN/AP

DENTAL CARE

Zoo Tooth

If you think that's odd, you should see how thick the floss is. For pygmy hippopotamus "Thug," the kind of tooth cleaning pictured here on Thursday is nothing new — both hippos at the London Zoo have their teeth regularly scrubbed by zookeepers. Before that, the hippos had to deal with brooms stuffed in their mouths to do the job. It was only this summer that they've been treated to these fancy, 5-foot-long brushes. Zookeepers ordered two for the pair. (EXPRESS)

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Trendy Buy: Bottled Cleveland Tap Water

It's Cleveland vs. Fiji in a war of water. Fiji Water has angered Clevelanders

with a new advertisement that pokes fun at the city that's tried for decades to overcome a muddled reputation when it comes to H₂O. "The label says Fiji because it's not bottled in Cleveland," says the full-page ad running in maga-

zines. After seeing the ad, public utilities director Julius Ciaccia ordered the bottled water tested. The results: 6.31 micrograms of arsenic per liter in the Fiji bottle, said Cleveland water quality manager Maggie Rodgers. (AP)



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HANDS-ON DIPLOMACY: An impromptu backrub that President Bush tried to give German Chancellor Angela Merkel is now one of the most popular videos on YouTube.com. A 5-second clip shows Merkel looking very displeased as she shrugs off the massage.

Nation

In Brief

HARTFORD, CONN.

Bill Clinton to Help Trailing Lieberman in Primary

Suddenly trailing in the polls, Democratic Sen. Joe Lieberman is enlisting the help of former President Clinton, the man he criticized in 1998 for "disgraceful behavior" in a sex scandal with a White House intern. A new poll released Thursday showed that Lieberman has lost ground to challenger Ned Lamont and is narrowly trailing him for the first time in their race, with 47 percent to Lamont's 51 percent. (AP)

KIRKLAND, WASH.

Police: Fire Was Set to Hide Evidence of Stabbing Deaths

A fire that destroyed the house of a soldier serving in Iraq was set to cover up the stabbing deaths of his wife, two sons and sister-in-law, police said. A neighbor was jailed on suspicion of homicide. Police did not say what led them to the 24-year-old neighbor, who was arrested at a duplex across the street. According to the King County jail's Web site, Conner Michael Schierman was being held for investigation of arson and four counts of homicide. (AP)

9/11 Detainee Released

→ The man believed to be the longest serving prisoner arrested in the wake of the 9/11 attacks was released yesterday after nearly five years in jail. | **Today, A Section**

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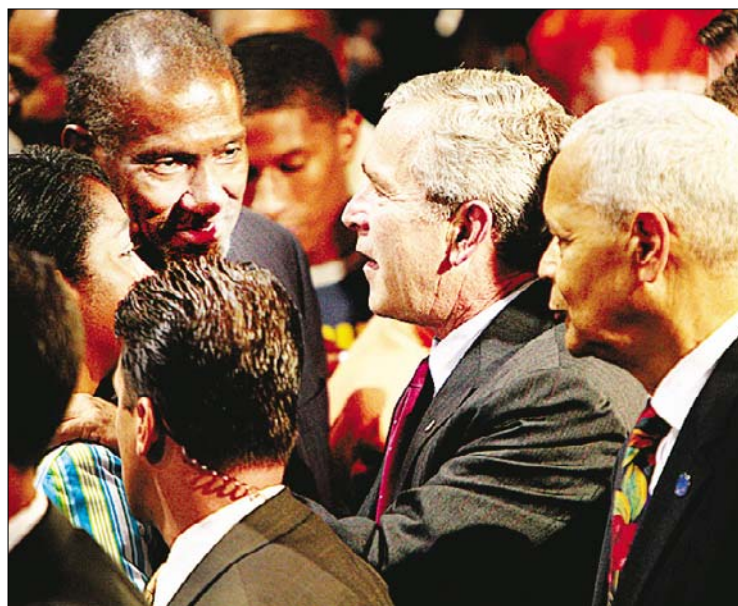
Bush: 'Racism Still Lingers in U.S.'

President addresses NAACP convention for first time in five years

WASHINGTON | President Bush, addressing the NAACP after skipping its convention for five years, said Thursday he knows racism exists in America and that many black voters distrust his Republican Party.

Bush lamented the GOP's rocky relations with blacks. He pledged to improve that relationship and work with the NAACP's new leader to achieve common goals.

"I understand that racism still lingers in America," Bush told more than 2,200 people at the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's annual gathering. "It's a lot easier to change a law



FIRST TALK: President Bush shakes hands in the crowd after speaking at the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's annual convention.

than to change a human heart. And I understand that many African-Americans distrust my political party."

That line generated boisterous applause and cheers from the audience, which generally gave the president a polite, reserved reception.

"I consider it a tragedy that the party of Abraham Lincoln let go of its historical ties with the African-American community," Bush said. "For too long, my party wrote off the African-American vote, and many African-Americans wrote off the Republican Party."

Black support for Republicans in elections has hovered around 10 percent for more than a decade. In 2004, Bush drew 11 percent of the black vote against Democrat John Kerry. DEB RIECHMANN (AP)

Voting Rights Act Renewed in Senate

Civil rights-era bill requires oversight of 9 states' ballot changes

WASHINGTON | The 1965 Voting Rights Act, which opened voting booths to millions of black Americans, won a 25-year extension from Congress Thursday as Republicans sought to improve their standing with minorities before the fall election.

The legislation, approved 98-0 by the Senate after last week's over-

whelming House passage, now goes to President Bush for his signature.

A centerpiece of the 1960s civil rights movement, the law ended poll taxes, literacy tests and other election devices that had been used for decades to keep blacks from voting.

The House passed the bill last week 390-33 with opposition mostly from Southern lawmakers who objected to renewing a law that requires their states win Justice Department approval before

changing any voting rules — punishment, they said, for racist practices decades in the past.

Some also objected to provisions that require jurisdictions with large populations of non-English-speaking citizens to print ballots in languages other than English.

The nine states required to win Justice Department approval for any voting practice changes are Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Texas and Virginia.

LAURIE KELLMAN (AP)

PAC Linked to DeLay Fined, Shutting Down

WASHINGTON | The fundraising organization that helped vault former Rep. Tom DeLay to GOP leadership and distributed election money to numerous fellow Republicans has been fined for campaign finance violations and is shutting down.

Under a deal with the Federal Election Commission, Americans for a Republican Majority's political action committee agreed to pay a \$115,000 fine and close. (AP)

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Troops Sent to Missouri

Guard-led evacuations ordered after outages hit during brutal heat

ST. LOUIS | The governor sent in the National Guard to evacuate people from their sweltering homes Thursday after storms knocked out power to nearly half a million St. Louis-area households and businesses in the middle of a searing heat wave that has killed at least 17 people across the country.

With forecasters expecting another day of 100-degree temperatures, utility crews raced to restore electricity, and Gov. Matt Blunt declared a state of emergency, granting the mayor's request to send in 250 troops to take people to air-conditioned public buildings and to clear debris.

"We can't overemphasize the danger of this heat," Mayor Francis Slay said. "The longer the heat goes on and the power is out, the riskier it is."



AMBUSH: Downed trees cover a car parked in St. Louis, on Thursday, after a strong storm with winds near 80 mph blew through the area late Wednesday.

By midmorning, the temperature was 90, with a predicted high of 103. The region could get some relief on Friday, when the high was expected to drop to 88.

The storms tore through the city

a day earlier, ripping off a section of airport roof and dumping it on a highway and blowing out windows in a hotel. At least three buildings collapsed, and more than 30 people were injured. CHERYL WITTENAUER

Romney Shuts Down Part of Big Dig Tunnel

Closure comes after engineers find 2 more faulty bolts in ceiling

BOSTON | Boston's Big Dig crisis deepened Thursday when Gov. Mitt Romney shut down the east-bound lanes of a major highway tunnel after two problem bolts were discovered in the ceiling.

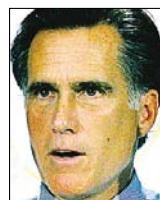
The Ted Williams Tunnel, which carries traffic to and from Logan International Airport under Boston Harbor, already had been limited to bus traffic since ceiling panels in a connector tunnel collapsed this month, killing a car passenger.

State engineers discovered that two bolts appeared to have slipped a half-inch and 1 inch in one ceiling panel, Romney said. He added that he expected the Ted Williams Tunnel to be shut down for hours, not days.

"It is, perhaps, an overreaction,

but we want to err on the side of public safety," Romney said at a news conference, overruling an earlier finding by the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority.

It was in a tunnel leading to the Ted Williams that 12 tons of concrete ceiling panels fell on a car July 10, killing 39-year-old Milena Del Valle.



Romney

That connector tunnel, a stretch of Interstate 90, was shut down immediately, and inspections found hundreds of problems with bolts holding its ceiling panels in place.

After the collapse, engineers conducted "pull tests" on the ceiling panels in the connector tunnel and a tunnel ramp and found hundreds of bolts, secured with epoxy, that were unreliable. STEVE LEBLANC (AP)

Judge: Suit Over Domestic Spying Can Continue

SAN FRANCISCO | A federal judge Thursday refused to dismiss a lawsuit challenging the Bush administration's domestic spying program, rejecting government claims that allowing the case to go forward could expose state secrets.

U.S. District Judge Vaughn Walker said the warrantless eavesdropping has been so widely reported that there appears to be no danger of spilling secrets.

Dozens of lawsuits alleging that telecommunications companies and the government are illegally intercepting Americans' communications without warrants have been filed. This is the first time a judge has ruled on the government's claim of a "state secrets privilege."

"The compromise between liberty and security remains a difficult one," Walker said. "But dismissing this case at the outset would sacrifice liberty for no apparent enhancement of security." (AP)

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ONCE BITTEN: An ill-tempered parrot left English police a vital clue to the man who stole the bird from a pet shop. The thief pleaded guilty to stealing the macaw named Mickey after police were able to make a DNA match from a trail of blood left after the bird bit the robber.

World

In Brief

MEXICO CITY

Leftist Says He Will Never View Vote Results as Legit

Mexico's leftist presidential candidate said Thursday he would never recognize the results of the July 2 election as legitimate, and his supporters protested outside the offices of a national airline he accuses of giving illicit support to his rival. Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador lost the race to ruling-party candidate Felipe Calderon, by a margin of less than 0.6 percent, according to official vote tallies, which the leftist claims were marred by fraud. (AP)



Lawmaker Yulia Tymoshenko, right, covers her parliament seat with a flag.

KIEV, UKRAINE

Lawmaker Walks Out Over Gains of Pro-Russian Party

Ukrainian lawmaker Yulia Tymoshenko led her opposition faction out of parliament Thursday amid a persistent political crisis, demanding the president dissolve the fractious legislature and call new elections to keep the new pro-Russian parliamentary majority from gaining power. Tymoshenko vowed that her faction would stay away from the legislature until President Victor Yushchenko moves to dissolve it. (AP)

BAGHDAD, IRAQ

Saddam on Hunger Strike Over Security for Lawyers

Saddam Hussein has not eaten in nearly two weeks, a U.S. military spokesman said Thursday. Saddam and three others have refused meals since dinner on July 7, although they drink coffee and water with nutrients, said Lt. Col. Keir-Kevin Curry. Saddam's chief attorney said the ousted Iraqi leader had gone on a hunger strike to demand better security for his lawyers. (AP)

Firefights Erupt on Lebanese Border

Israel wants residents of southern Lebanon to flee 'immediately'

BEIRUT, LEBANON | Pitched battles raged between Israeli forces and Hezbollah fighters on the border Thursday, and Israel warned hundreds of thousands of people to flee southern Lebanon "immediately," preparing for a likely ground offensive to set up a buffer zone.

U.N. chief Kofi Annan warned of a humanitarian crisis in Lebanon and called for an immediate ceasefire, even as he admitted "serious obstacles" stand in the way of even easing the violence. Annan denounced Israel for "excessive use of force" and Hezbollah for holding "an entire nation hostage" with its rocket attacks and snatching of two Israeli soldiers last week.

As the death toll rose to 330 in Lebanon, as well as 31 Israelis, Lebanese streamed north into the capital and other regions, crowding into schools, relatives' homes or hotels. Taxi drivers in the south were charging up to \$400 per person for rides to Beirut — more than 40 times the usual price.

The price of food, medical supplies and gasoline rose by as much as 500 percent in parts of Lebanon on Thursday as Israel's relentless bombardment destroyed roads, bridges and other supply routes.

On a day that saw U.S. Marines return to Lebanon for the first time



TENSIONS FLARE: Israeli soldiers, top, take up positions prior to crossing the border into southern Lebanon on Thursday while a U.S. Navy craft prepares to transport American citizens evacuating the fighting in Beirut to safety in Cyprus.

Center of the Storm

→ The obstacles residents of the Lebanese city of Tyre face in fleeing their city are the latest example of a conflict where civilians have suffered inordinately. | **Today, AI**

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in 22 years to assist with evacuations, the war looked ready to expand dramatically. Hezbollah refused to release its two Israeli soldiers without a prisoner exchange, and Israel was aiming to create a new buffer zone in a region that saw 18 years of Israeli presence ending in 2000.

Hezbollah leader Sheik Hassan Nasrallah shrugged off concerns of a stepped-up Israeli onslaught, vowing never to release the two Israeli soldiers, even "if the whole universe comes (against us)." He said they would be freed only as part of a prisoner exchange.

He spoke in an interview with the Al-Jazeera news network taped Thursday to show he had survived a heavy airstrike in south Beirut that Israel said targeted a Hezbollah underground leadership bunker.

The U.S. — which has resisted calls to press its ally Israel to halt the fighting — was sending Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice to the region, arriving in Israel on Tuesday or Wednesday after stopping in Arab nations, Israeli officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity. LEE KEATH (AP)

Ethiopian Troops Roll Into Somalia

Action said aimed at protecting leadership from advancing militia

MOGADISHU, SOMALIA | Hundreds of Ethiopian troops in armored vehicles rolled into Somalia on Thursday to protect their allies in this country's virtually powerless government from Islamic militants who control the capital.

The move could give the U.S.-backed Somali government its only chance of curbing the Islamic mili-

tia's increasing power. But Ethiopia's incursion could also be just the provocation the militia needs to build public support for a guerrilla war.

"We will declare jihad if the Ethiopian government refuses to withdraw their troops from Somalia," a top Islamic official, Sheik Sharif Sheikh Ahmed, told The Associated Press.

The neighboring countries are traditional enemies, although Somali President Abdullahi Yusuf Ahmed has asked Ethiopia for its support. Thousands of Somalis have

taken to the streets in recent weeks to denounce accounts of Ethiopian troops along the border.

The U.S. urged Ethiopia to exercise restraint and said the U.S., European Union, African Union, Arab League and others will meet soon to consider the volatile situation.

Somalia has been without an effective central government since warlords toppled dictator Mohamed Siad Barre in 1991, carving much of the country into armed camps ruled by violence and clan law. (AP)

Iran to Reply in August on Nukes

TEHRAN, IRAN | Iran said Thursday it would reply Aug. 22 to the Western incentive package to stop enriching uranium, but it also issued a veiled threat, indicating Tehran will not accept any deal that dilutes its nuclear program.

The statement by the Supreme National Security Council was Iran's first mention of a precise date after weeks of being accused of stalling. The council also warned that Iran would retaliate if the world tried to punish it. (AP)



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World



UNDER SIEGE: Iraqis inspect the wreckage of a car-bomb attack in Baghdad's downtown market area Thursday that killed at least three people and injured 10.

Baghdad Sees Attacks Rise 40%

Insurgents plotting an 'all-out assault' on city, U.S. military says

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | Bombings and shootings soared by 40 percent in the Baghdad area in the past week, the U.S. military said Thursday. An American general said extremists were preparing "an all-out assault" on the capital in a decisive battle for the future of Iraq.

Iraq's most influential Shiite cleric issued his strongest call yet for an end to Shiite-Sunni blood-letting, urging all Iraqis to wake up to the "danger threatening the future of the country" and stand "side-by-side against it."

U.S. military spokesman Maj. Gen. William Caldwell said there had been an average of 34 attacks a day involving U.S. and Iraqi forces in and around the capital since Friday — up sharply from the daily average of 24 registered between June 14 and July 13.

Caldwell said insurgents were streaming into the capital for "an

all-out assault against the Baghdad area."

"Clearly, the death-squad elements, the terrorist elements, know that Baghdad is a must-win for them," he said. "Whoever wins the Baghdad area, whoever is able to bring peace and security to that area, is going to set the conditions to stabilize this country."

But much of the bloodshed has been carried out by Shiite militias seeking retribution for attacks by Sunnis — including organized insurgents, religious extremists and Sunnis not affiliated with resistance groups.

Alarmed by the crisis, Grand Ayatollah Ali Al-Sistani issued a rare statement, saying the time has come for "all those who value the unity and future of this country" to "exert maximum efforts to stop the bloodletting."

About 50 people were killed Thursday in attacks nationwide, police said. They included a U.S. Marine killed in Anbar province and 12 people who died in a car bombing near Beiji. **ROBERT H. REID (AP)**



THOUSANDS FLEE: Sectarian violence has forced about 160,000 Iraqis to flee their homes over the last five months, a government ministry said Thursday — an increase of about 30,000 in the last month. Migration Minister Abdul-Samad Rahman said it may be necessary to build secure camps for refugees, who might otherwise flee to other countries. (AP)

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The number, in billions of dollars, that the federal government would give Metro during the next 10 years under legislation passed by the U.S. House of Representatives — provided regional governments matched the funding.

Local

Crime Bill Awaits Mayor's Signature

New legislation would include surveillance cameras and curfews

WASHINGTON | With the city in the second week of a crime emergency, Mayor Williams was eager Thursday to sign a bill authorizing new crime-fighting measures, including neighborhood surveillance cameras, an earlier curfew for teens and expanded police overtime.

The provisions were in a bill approved Wednesday as the City Council interrupted its summer break to respond to the emergency declared earlier this month by Police Chief Charles H. Ramsey.

"He'll sign it as soon as he gets it," said Williams spokesman Vince Morris. The law would take effect immediately and last 90 days.

Dozens of amendments had to be clarified and inserted by city attorneys before the bill could arrive on Williams' desk, Morris said. That could take several days.

The bill would allow police, for the first time, to use four public surveillance cameras in high-crime neighborhoods to crack down on a recent spike in homicides, robberies and other crimes.

"I've always had concerns about the expanded use of cameras, but this is for a limited time," said Council member Carol Schwartz. (AP)

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TABLE TALKS: At home of Bob Kuhl — who has Parkinson's — in Catonsville, Md., ex-Gov. Harry R. Hughes, center, gubernatorial candidate Martin O'Malley, right, and his running mate Anthony Brown talked about stem cell research Thursday. ♦ **Political fallout:** The politics of stem cell research has gone beyond Capitol Hill into local elections. | Today, Metro

Metro Will Widen New GM Search

Board chooses to keep Tangherlini in interim job for the time being

WASHINGTON | Metro's board of directors voted Thursday to launch a national search for a general manager to head the transit agency, even as some members said the pursuit could lead them back to the man doing the job on an interim basis since February, Dan Tangherlini.

Board chair Gladys Mack said members chose to cast a wide net to ensure that the agency, the country's second-busiest subway and the fifth-busiest bus system, is led by the most qualified chief executive. After the board forced then-general manager Richard A. White out of his job in January, Tangherlini was named interim general manager for one year. Tangherlini, 38, is the former director of the District's transportation department.

"We are going to pick a solid professional who is acceptable to the region and who will make a commitment to serve the entire region without partisanship," Mack said.

LENA H. SUN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

The Lotteries

Thursday, July 20

DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	9-2-4
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	8-1-1
Mid-day DC 4	0-4-9-1
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	9-2-1-8
Rolling Cash Five (Wed.)	24-28-29-34-35
Daily 6 (Wed.)	02-07-26-29-31-38 (33)
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	01-08-15-22-26 (14)

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	3-1-6
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	2-7-6
Mid-day Pick 4	5-8-3-1
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	0-8-6-1
Match 5 (Wed.)	03-07-08-17-27 (25)
Multi-Match (Wed.)	04-05-21-24-26-33

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3	2-4-8
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	6-6-0
Mid-day Pick 4	0-3-8-0

Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	0-1-4-9
Mid-day Cash 5	08-13-15-16-31
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	07-12-18-29-34
Win For Life (Wed.)	03-17-21-37-39-41 (14)

MULTI-STATE GAMES

Powerball (Wed.)	02-32-38-44-50 (21)
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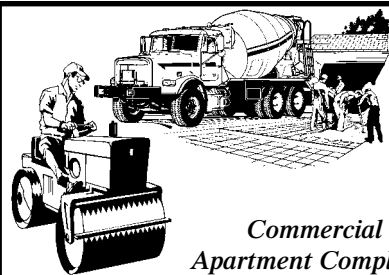
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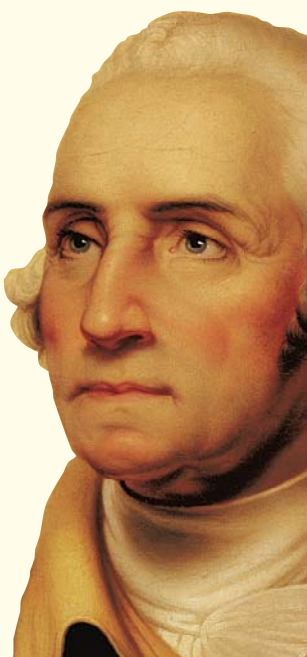
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Money

Google Sees Profit Double

Once again, Internet search engine beats Wall Street's forecasts

SAN FRANCISCO | Google's second-quarter profit more than doubled, maintaining the Internet search leader's penchant for topping analysts' high expectations and further underscoring the advantage the company has built over its chief rivals.

The Mountain View, Calif.-based company said Thursday that it earned \$721.1 million, or \$2.33 per share, during the three months ended in June. That compared with net income of \$342.8 million, or \$1.19 per share, at the same time last year.

Excluding expenses for employee stock compensation and several



Google reported earnings Thursday of \$721.1 million for the second quarter.

other one-time items, Google said it would have earned \$2.49 per share — soaring past the average estimate of \$2.22 per share among 32 analysts surveyed by Thomson Financial.

It marks the seventh time in eight quarters as a public compa-

ny that Google has surprised Wall Street by reporting higher-than-expected earnings.

Revenue for the period totaled \$2.46 billion, a 77 percent increase from \$1.38 billion a year ago.

Google's revenue fell to \$1.67 billion after subtracting commissions paid to its partners in the Internet's largest advertising network. That figure also topped the average analyst estimate, according to Thomson Financial.

Google's showing contrasted sharply with the second-quarter performance of Yahoo Inc., which disappointed investors earlier this week by merely matching Wall Street's consensus estimate and then exacerbated the letdown by postponing a key piece of advertising technology aimed at boosting its revenue. MICHAEL LIEDTKE (AP)

Ford Posts Unexpected \$123M Loss

DETROIT | Ford Motor Co. dashed Wall Street's hopes for a profitable second quarter Thursday, blaming its dependence on high-margin SUVs for a \$123 million loss as consumers shifted toward gas-saving cars.

The nation's second-largest automaker, whose shares slipped more than 2 percent, sought to appease

its critics by pledging to speed up its North American turnaround plan but didn't say how.

Ford, which has been losing market share to Asian manufacturers for a decade, has been badly stung by high gas prices because big trucks and sport utility vehicles account for nearly 70 percent of the vehicles it sells.

The Dearborn, Mich.-based automaker's "Way Forward" turnaround plan, launched six months ago, calls for shedding 25,000 to 30,000 jobs and closing 14 plants by 2012.

By year's end, the company will have cut production capacity 15 percent and will be a third of the way toward its targeted number of employee cuts, Chairman and Chief Executive Bill Ford said. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
HCA Inc	48.20	+4.53	+10.4
Amdocs	36.80	+3.35	+10.0
Safeway	27.92	+2.25	+8.8
BenchEl wi	24.95	+1.98	+8.6
Brookdale n	43.05	+3.25	+8.2

Losers

LabrRdy	15.97	-4.39	-21.6
Barnes s	15.35	-3.34	-17.9
ChoicePt	30.50	-5.50	-15.3
Watsco	46.35	-7.89	-14.5
Quanex s	35.44	-5.34	-13.1

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.25	5.25
3-month disc	4.97	4.94
2-year	5.06	5.12
10-year	4.99	5.07
30-year	5.03	5.12

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
AviciSys	7.41	+1.88	+34.0
Insignia	3.40	+5.55	+19.3
Rimage	21.83	+3.08	+16.4
Citiz&Nthn	23.66	+3.11	+15.1
Iomai n	2.61	-.25	-8.7

Losers

MGI Phr	14.54	-6.89	-32.2
Alfacell	2.00	-.86	-30.1
Taleo A n	7.97	-3.21	-28.7
AirMeth	18.28	-5.01	-21.5
Travelzoo	28.03	-6.23	-18.2

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5408	.5426	.5760
Canadian Dollar	1.1311	1.1352	1.2215
European Euro	.7914	.7937	.8259
Japanese Yen	116.81	116.80	113.06
Mexican Peso	10.8825	10.8850	10.6120
Taiwanese Dollar	32.71	32.87	32.00

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Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AbtLab	46.21	-.07	+17.2
Allergan	106.30	-.64	-1.5
AstraZen	58.52	-.01	+20.4
BarrPhm	46.37	-.85	-25.6
BrMySq	25.64	+.09	+11.6
ForestLab	43.19	+.29	+6.2
Hospira	42.85	-.18	+.2
IvaxCorp	25.98	...	-17.1
JohnJn	61.37	+.06	+2.1
LillyEli	56.26	+.18	-.6
Merck	37.30	-.02	+17.3
Pfizer	23.71	+.41	+1.7
SchergPl	19.25	+.06	-7.7
Sepracor	47.97	-.53	-7.0
Wyeth	44.99	+.66	-2.3



NO KIDDING: Wendy Rieger, left, and Susan Kidd anchor WRC's 5 p.m. newscast, an example of a two-woman news team.

Changing Faces

Women take over as men disappear from the TV news scene

When women made their first strides into television newsrooms some four decades ago, their presence was something of a shock to the male establishment.

But nowadays, the gender roles are reversed. Women make up the majority of anchors and TV reporters and have many key behind-the-scenes jobs. And that trend is increasing.

And men? Outside of a few tra-

ditionally male bastions — the sports guy, the weathercaster, the boss — they are disappearing from TV newsrooms.

Perhaps the most visible symbol of the ascendancy of women is Katie Couric, who will become the lead anchor of CBS News in September — the first woman to hold such a job without a male co-anchor at a traditional broadcast network. But the trend is apparent across the country, in cities large and small. Although the male-female anchor pair is still the industry standard, two-female setups



Katie Couric takes over CBS' anchor chair in September.

aren't unusual in local markets. Wendy Rieger and Susan Kidd co-anchor the 5 p.m. news on WRC in Washington, and women deliver the news solo on various newscasts throughout the week.

Women reached statistical parity with men on the anchor desk in the early 1990s, and their ranks have been climbing since. The number of female anchors reached a record high last year, accounting for 57 percent of the positions in a nationwide survey conducted by the Radio and Television News Directors Association. Just as impressive are the gains in the rest of the newsroom. Women account for more than half of TV reporters (58 percent) and such middle managers as executive producers (55 percent), news producers (66 percent) and news writers (56 percent).

At the bottom of the career ladder are even more women: Almost two-thirds of bachelor's degrees in journalism and mass communications were awarded to women in 2004, according to research by the University of Georgia.

News managers look on these numbers with a mixture of pride and mild alarm. Pride because decades of equal-opportunity employment rules have opened up what had once been a preserve of men — primarily white men. But concern, too, since the male exodus threatens the traditional anchor model, in which a male-female duo is sitting at the head of a symbolic nuclear family.

So where have all the guys gone? Many observers suggest that their departure reflects

ALSO THIS SUNDAY



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Sweet Home Alabama

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the transformation of TV news from a "glamour" business to a low-wage, no-growth field with limited career potential.

Some worry that anchor chairs and reporting ranks might become so female-dominated that male viewers will be alienated. That day, however, might not be right around the corner. Despite women's gains, men still overwhelmingly are in charge of stations' news operations. Almost 80 percent of news directors and 68 percent of assistant news directors were men, according to RTNDA's most recent figures.

But that seems destined to change, too. Women already head newsrooms in several major cities, including two Washington stations — Katherine Green at WTTG-Fox5, and Vickie Burns at WRC.

PAUL FARHI (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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**NATIONALS**

Plagued By Injury: The visiting Chicago Cubs went from World Series contenders in 2003, to MLB cellar. Blame Bartman or injuries? | 15

Sports Weekend



STARE DOWN: Tiger Woods dissects a putt on the 14th green during the first round of the British Open at Royal Liverpool.

Lurking Tiger

Woods has kept a low profile, but is as much of a threat as always

GOLF | Tiger Woods kept a low profile in the days leading up to the British Open.

He hopes everyone will get a chance to see him this weekend.

The defending British champion missed the cut last month in the U.S. Open, where consecutive rounds of 76 sent him home early for the first time in a major.

"I took a lot of time off prior to the U.S. Open, and I wasn't hitting the ball as well as I wanted to in competition," Woods said. "But I fixed those mistakes ... and I got back into the competitive flow again."

We'll have to take him at his word. Getting a glimpse of Woods has been rare at Royal Liverpool. He arrived last weekend when there were no crowds, playing Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning.

The next two days, he teed off

so early that he was done before most fans arrived at the course. On Wednesday, he didn't even play, showing up in the late afternoon to hit balls on the range and stroke a few putts.

Woods has played only six competitive rounds since the Masters — because of the May 3 death of his father.

Woods still cannot shake questions about his father, about how he is coping and how long it might take him to come to terms. But in this case, some of the questions

brought back good memories, and pertinent ones.

Earl Woods accompanied his 19-year-old son to Carnoustie in 1995 for the Scottish Open, his first taste of links golf. Tiger opened with rounds of 69-71 before the wind picked up, scores shot up and he tied for 29th, 17 shots out of the lead.

"He absolutely loved it when

LEADERBOARD

A glance at how the field fared the first day at Royal Liverpool:

- Graeme McDowell, -6
- Miguel Angel Jimenez, -5
- Tiger Woods, -5
- Sergio Garcia, -4
- Ernie Els, -4
- Phil Mickelson, -3
- Fred Funk, -3
- Vijay Singh, -2
- David Duval, -2
- Retief Goosen, -2
- Geoff Ogilvy, -1
- Colin Montgomerie, +1

I played at Carnoustie, because it was one of the very few times that he thought I was able to use my imagination and create shots," Woods said.

Woods plays the British Open as well as any other major besides the Masters, finishing in the top 10 six out of his nine starts as a pro. He won last year at St. Andrews for the second time.

But there hasn't been much of a buzz about Woods this week, partly because no one has seen much of him. He hasn't won since the first weekend of March, and his nine starts on the PGA Tour this season are the fewest of anyone in the top 50 on the money list.

Still, he's viewed as the favorite for his third British Open title.

"If he never wins another tournament, his reputation is made," said Peter Thomson, who won at Hoylake in 1956 for his third straight claret jug. "But he's having a bit of a stumble, I think. He'll play well again, I'm sure."

PAUL NEWBERRY (AP)

TV Lineup

→ **GRAND STAND:** The Lerner Group has been touting this home series on Friday (7 p.m. on Channel 20), Saturday (1:20 p.m. on FOX) and Sunday (1 p.m. on MASN) as the Nats' "Grand Reopening." Good choice because the Cubs always draw a big crowd — even when they're the third-worst team in baseball at 36-57.

→ **CELLAR DWELLERS:** There's only one team in the AL East worse than the Orioles. Luckily, Baltimore plays that team (the Devil Rays) Friday (7:15 p.m. on MASN), Saturday (7:15 p.m. on MASN) and Sunday (1:15 p.m. on MASN) in Tampa Bay.

→ **DO THE DEW:** The golf action across the pond begins with the early morning dew. British Open coverage continues Friday (7 a.m. on TNT), Saturday (7 a.m. on TNT and 9 a.m. on ABC) and Sunday (6 a.m. on TNT and 8 a.m. on ABC).

→ **THAT'S A WRAP:** The Tour de France wraps up with a flat stage Friday (8:30 a.m. on OLN), a deciding time trial on Saturday (8:30 a.m. on OLN) and the victory lap through Paris on Sunday (7:30 a.m. on OLN)



Floyd Landis has brought himself back into the race for the yellow jersey.

TRACK AND FIELD | 100-Meter Dashed Hopes Jamaican sprinter Asafa Powell pulled out of a Greek track meet after officials at an Italian airport refused to let him take his spikes as carry-on baggage. Powell, who shares the 100-meter world record with Justin



Gatlin, was to compete in Friday's Vardinoyannia track meet on the island of Crete. Jamaican sprinters Michael Frater, Sherone Simpson and Brigitte Foster withdrew for the same reason. "They were afraid they would lose their spikes," meet official Vangelis Melikounakis said. (AP)

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Pinch hitter Daryle Ward drives in the go-ahead run in a May game against Houston.

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"[Pinch hitting is] probably the most tough job on the baseball team," Washington manager Frank Robinson said. "You have to embrace that position."

And for all their shortcomings, the Nationals have two of the best bench bats in the game. Entering Thursday, Washington's Marlon Anderson and Daryle Ward were hitting a combined .270 (20 for 74) off the bench.

Anderson — arguably Robinson's most-trusted substitute — ranked second in the majors behind Philadelphia's David Dellucci in pinch-hit at-bats (42), hits (11) and runs scored (seven). He'd also drawn five walks.

Ward has been even more productive. He and Milwaukee's Gabe

Gross each have a major league-high three pinch-hit homers. And Ward is tied for third in the majors with nine pinch-hit RBIs and tied for second with seven walks.

In total, the Nationals have used a pinch hitter in a major league-high 87 games this season, and those bats are rewarding them with a .282 average — the fifth-best in the big leagues.

Anderson doesn't feel there's one true approach to pinch-hitting, but he does think too many players hurt themselves by bringing an anxious approach to the plate.

"The best thing I've learned in my career is patience," he said. "Some guys get 0-1 or 0-2 [and panic]. You can get yourself in a better situation in a count after you've seen some pitches and gotten your timing down."

Both players said their preparation differs little from how they'd get ready if they were starting, though Anderson suggested he's more apt to study the tendencies of relievers he may face in late-inning situations.

Both also professed to be students of the mind. Ward is an avid self-help reader, while Anderson is taking an online psychology course through the University of Phoenix.

"It helps you to believe in yourself," Ward said. "It takes someone with a strong mind [to come off the bench and hit]." ERIC BRANDNER

Trials and Tendinitis

Injuries have plagued the Cubs' once-stellar pitching rotation

NATIONALS | Those inclined to believe in mythical concepts like curses and angry baseball gods conveniently point to the Steve Bartman incident as the beginning of the latest downfall of the Chicago Cubs.

But it's too simplistic to blame a fan-interference call — even one in a critical moment of the 2003 National League Championship Series — for the metamorphosis of a team from a club on the verge of the World Series to one that had all but given up hope by the 2006 All-Star break.

The culprit quite plainly has been a different curse — injuries. Since

the 2004 season, Chicago's starting rotation has essentially included four aces in Mark Prior, Kerry Wood, Carlos Zambrano and Greg Maddux. But Prior and Wood have visited the disabled list nearly as often as they've taken the mound. Zambrano and Maddux have been alternately dominating and inconsistent.

"In 2003, we ended the season in a very envious situation with our pitching," general manager Jim Hendry said. "We had Prior and Wood and Zambrano all at a very young age and all reaching to pinnacle their profession, and then we signed Greg Maddux in the off-season. I think everybody felt that

Mark Prior won 18 games as a rookie, but failed to dazzle while on the DL.



JONATHAN DANIEL/GETTY IMAGES

we were going to have a pretty good starting pitching and be in contention for three or four years."

Now with baseball's third-worst record, the Cubs will put one piece of that puzzle back in place tonight at RFK Stadium as Prior makes his first start since going on the disabled list for the second time earlier this month with an oblique strain. The 25-year-old, who won 18 games as a rookie in 2003, has been on the disabled list during each of the last three seasons and has made only four starts in 2006.

"He'll be ready," Hendry said. Wood also has started only

four games this season. But he likely won't pitch again this year because of a torn rotator cuff. The fireballer has been on the disabled list 12 times since 1996. Hendry said the Cubs won't pick up a \$13 million contract option for 2007 but hope to sign a healthy Wood to a new deal in the offseason.

As this season slips away, Hendry

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remains optimistic that sometime soon the team's most valuable asset will be somebody other than the trainer.

"We've got a very good core group of guys, and it's up to me to do the responsible and the proper things in the offseason to try to get us back on the right track for 2007," he said.

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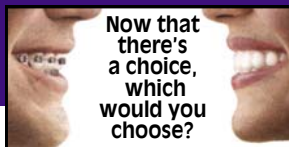
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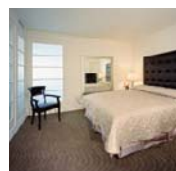
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The Mystics' Extra Boost

DeLisha Milton-Jones brings excitement and fire to Washington

MYSTICS | Though her contributions were relatively limited, there was no doubting DeLisha Milton-Jones' impact on the Mystics in her first game back from injury — a 96-83 loss to Phoenix on Wednesday.

In just over 17 minutes on the floor, Milton-Jones scored nine points, pulled down three rebounds and dished out six assists. But just by being there, she gave a big psychological boost to her team as it prepares to make its run toward the playoffs.

"Having her back gives us confidence and motivation," Mystics guard Alana Beard said.

Mystics coach Richie Adubato admitted that he was very surprised that Milton-Jones came back so quickly after injuring an ACL on June 17. But he quickly added that "in another way, I'm not [surprised], because she has a history of recovering fast."

"She has a high pain tolerance, she's a very hard worker, and she has a tremendous desire to get back on the court," he said.

Milton-Jones said, though, that the recovery process was far from easy.

"Anytime you have to go through an ACL injury, I think it can prepare you for anything — except childbirth," she said. "You have to be at a certain state in your mind, you have to be mentally strong and have willpower, and it's going to be one of



DeLisha Milton-Jones hopes to lift the Mystics to WNBA playoff heights.

the loneliest moments of your life, because everyone's going to be over there and you're sitting over here in the corner doing monotonous movements with your body."

Nonetheless, Milton-Jones clearly did not lose any of her passion for the game during rehab — as evidenced, in part, by her technical foul for elbowing Phoenix's Jennifer Lacy in the fourth quarter.

"I'm going to talk noise, and I'm going to bang, yell, cuss, fuss, whatever it may be," Milton-Jones said. "But I just can't speak enough about how much I love this game, and being able to be back out there after a second injury — it's just a good feeling."

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WNBA Receives Top Diversity Marks

WNBA | With twice as many women CEOs this year as last and the only female league president, the WNBA remained the only U.S. pro sports league to receive top marks in a study of gender and racial diversity in sports.

The study released Thursday by the University of Central Florida's Institute for Diversity and Ethics in

Sport pointed out that the percentage of women employed in WNBA league offices was the lowest since 1998, falling from 90 percent in 2004 to 70 percent in 2005.

The study's author gave the WNBA the only "A" for gender diversity in pro sports. The league also received an "A" in racial diversity, as did the NBA. (AP)

Erpen's Defense Has Style

United defender keeps things interesting on MLS' best back line

UNITED | Facundo Erpen's foot had been bothering him for weeks, and the knock he took during the first half of Saturday's game forced him to the bench for the first time. Afterward, when asked about Erpen's injury, D.C. United Coach Peter Nowak soured and said, "It doesn't look good."

Back in the United locker room, Erpen had a smile on his face and pledged to be ready for tomorrow's game in Chicago, where D.C. (13-1-5) will look to extend its 13-game unbeaten streak. Erpen is not a player who worries about the possibility of playing through pain.

Since arriving in D.C. last August from Buenos Aires, Erpen, 23, has established himself as the most unorthodox and flamboyant defender in Major League Soccer. While most defenders are taught to play it safe and composed, Erpen, a former midfielder, launches himself around the penalty area as if on a



Facundo Erpen brings a fearlessness to defense that has made him one of the league's best on United's solid back line.

trampoline, and he's pretty much good for one bicycle-kick clearance per game.

"I like to play with the ball, but then I've got to remember, 'I'm a defender!' so I try to play it early," said Erpen, who is playing abroad for the first time but whose mother teaches English back in Argentina.

Along with Bobby Boswell and

Bryan Namoff, Erpen mans a back line that is by far the best in MLS, yielding 0.84 goals per game. His fearless play is a big part of that success, although Nowak says, "sometimes, Facundo gives me a heart attack."

Erpen said he enjoys "making the highlight play," even if it means some teasing from his teammates. His 40-yard screamer in late April

was named the league's goal of the week.

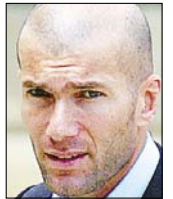
He hopes to play in Europe one day but enjoys United, an offensive-minded team that helps an offensive-minded defender fit in.

"We play on the field, not over the top. We play with one and two touches, not like the dribbling in Argentina. One, two touches, goal."

BRIAN STRAUS

Both Zidane and Materazzi Fined For Head Butt

SOCCER | Zinedine Zidane will perform community service as penance for his infamous head butt on Marco Materazzi in the World Cup final. Materazzi didn't get off unscathed, either.



Zidane

The French midfielder, voted the best player in the championships, also was fined \$6,000 by FIFA on Thursday and agreed to work with children in lieu of a three-game suspension. The penalty is irrelevant because, at 34, Zidane has retired from soccer.

Materazzi, the Italian defender who provoked the head butt by insulting Zidane, was suspended for two games and fined \$4,000.

"Community service is not something foreseen in the regulations," said Andreas Herren, a spokesman for soccer's governing body. "It is a gesture, given the special circumstances involved."

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From Off the Bench

NBA's three biggest young stars aim to put America back on top

BASKETBALL | Dwyane Wade had plenty of time to get to know LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony two years ago. They spent the summer together in Greece — and U.S. Olympic coach Larry Brown mostly kept them planted on the bench together, watching their team's bickering and ill-fitting strategies on the way to the end of American dominance in the sport.

Though they left Athens frustrated, the young stars vowed to do whatever was necessary to return the U.S. to the top of basketball.

"Being a part of 2004 was history in a bad way for myself, LeBron, Carmelo and Shawn Marion," Wade said. "Now, we want the chance to start over again."

The chance arrived on Wednesday, when the revamped American team opened training in Las Vegas leading to next month's world championship in Japan.



LISTEN CLOSE: Under the guidance of coach Mike Krzyzewski, right, Carmelo Anthony, left, is looking to help return United States basketball to prominence.

New coach Mike Krzyzewski is going to extensive lengths to change the culture of a program that withered and soured. But this summer also signals a generational shift for the Americans, with Wade, James

and Anthony sounding eager to assert themselves.

"We can go out there and be leaders," Wade said. "It wasn't our time then, but, hopefully, it's our time now." (AP)

Childress Racing: On Its Way Back

Years after Earnhardt's death, the team finally is finding its groove

AUTO RACING | Richard Childress never got to the point at which he hated coming to the race track, but there were times in the past five years when he rather would have been hunting or fishing.

Since its longtime driver Dale Earnhardt was killed in a crash during the 2001 Daytona 500, Richard Childress Racing, once considered one of the elite teams in NASCAR, has struggled just to be competitive.

"I hated seeing the faces in the race shop," said Childress, who won six championships with Earnhardt as his driver. "Nobody was smiling."

But thanks to some major personnel moves within the team, a lot of determination and a renewed excitement, it looks like RCR is back.

Heading into the Cup race this



Everything is OK for Jeff Burton and the Richard Childress Racing team.

Sunday in Pocono, just seven races from the start of the Chase, Jeff Burton is third in the points and Harvick is eighth. Even rookie Clint Bowyer is having a solid season.

"It's been a pleasure to sit back and watch all these guys and ladies do their jobs and get these teams up and running. And the smiles are a lot bigger. So, it's fun."

MIKE HARRIS (AP)

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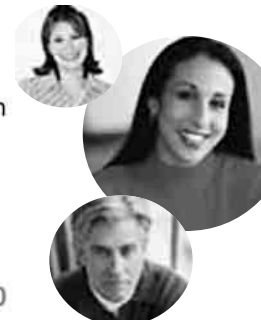
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REDSKINS RADIO | BY MATT SWENSON

'Skins Radio Is In a Good Spot

DANIEL SNYDER'S RADIO EMPIRE has all the earmarks of success, assuming there comes a point at which anyone can actually hear it.

Not only does Snyder's track record in business point to a huge hit — the guy's a billionaire, after all — but he's taken early steps to lure listeners.

For one, he brought in John Riggins, one of the most colorful and insightful NFL analysts in the business. Oh, by the way, Riggins is also a local hero for his legendary run to secure the Redskins' first Super Bowl title.

Where the Danny has the big advantage is ... the Redskins

Second, Snyder grabbed ESPN Radio away from his biggest radio competitor, WTEM. The addition of ESPN, the standard by which sports coverage is measured, instantly gives credibility to the fledgling operations of Red Zebra.

WTEM can compete with Riggins with John Thompson's show featuring star guests and with ESPN by using Fox Sports.

But where the Danny has the biggest advantage is in one of his other business ventures: the Redskins.

As owner of the city's most popular team, Snyder can ensure exclusive interviews with any player or coach the station wants.

It's great Thompson can get Tiger Woods or Michael Jordan to appear occasionally on WTEM, but here's guessing area fans would rather hear Joe Gibbs, Clinton Portis or Santana Moss on a regular basis.

The coverage will be biased, but so what? We all want to hear good news about the Redskins — even if it isn't always true.

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Landis Back in Contention

After win, American is just 30 seconds down with 3 days remaining

CYCLING | In a stunning turnaround a day after he was all but written off, American rider Floyd Landis moved back into contention at the Tour de France on Thursday, winning the final Alpine stage in a solo finish to jump from 11th to third.

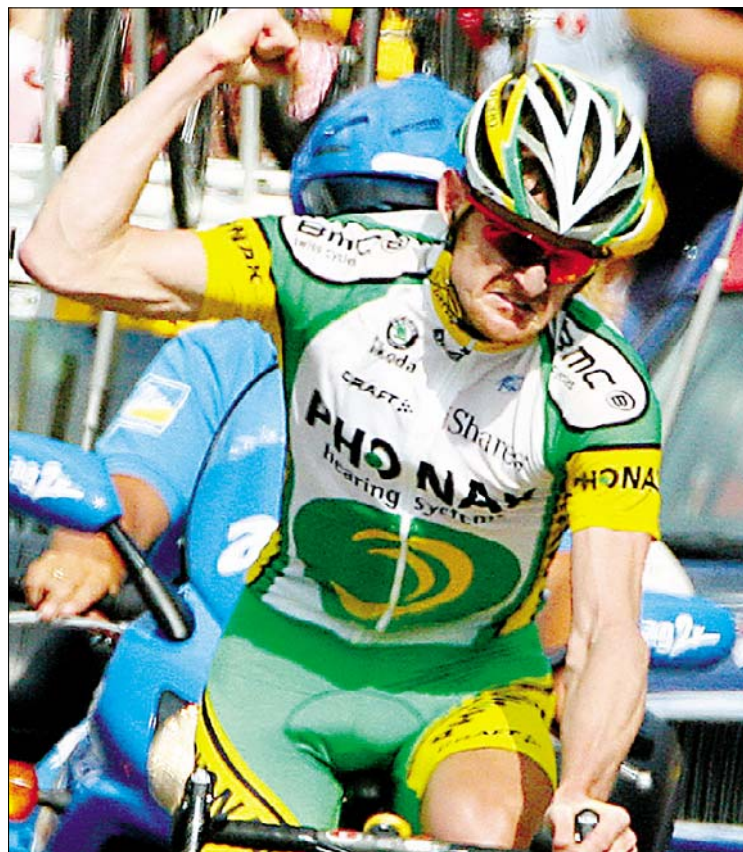
Landis, who lost the leader's yellow jersey Wednesday after struggling at the uphill finish, bounced back by bursting ahead of the main pack in the first of three tough ascents in the 17th stage.

"I was very, very disappointed yesterday for a little while," Landis said. "Today I thought I could show that at least I would keep fighting."

"I wasn't giving up just yet."

The stage win was his first at the Tour in five appearances.

"He reacted like a great champion," said France's Cyril Dessel, who fell from fourth to seventh



Floyd Landis crosses the finish line of the last Alpine stage. One day after falling behind, Landis rode solo and finished 30 seconds back behind the leader.

place overall.

Landis, who's riding on an injured right hip that will be replaced after the Tour, entered Thursday's stage in 11th place, trailing Oscar Pereiro by 8 minutes, 8 seconds.

Afterward, he jumped to third — 30 seconds behind Pereiro. Spaniard Carlos Sastre is in second, 12 seconds behind.

With the tough Alpine climbs over, Saturday's individual time trial shapes up as a crucial test in this year's topsy-turvy Tour.

The race against the clock — a 35.4-mile course that snakes from Le Creusot to Montceau-les-Mines — is similar in length to the Stage 7 time trial but features more hills. Landis finished second overall in that time trial, 1:10 faster than Sastre and 1:40 ahead of Pereiro.

"No matter what, whether I win or lose, I wanted to prove to my team that I deserved to be the leader," he said. "I didn't expect it to work quite that well."

JEROME PUGMIRE (AP)

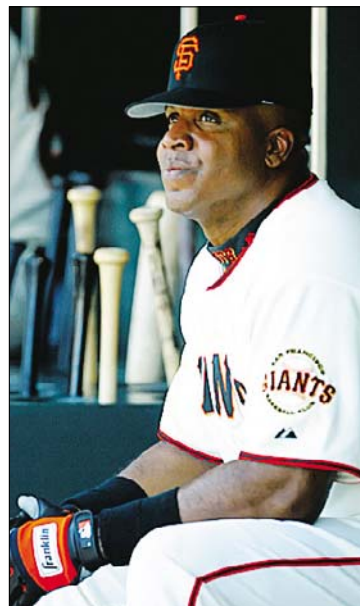
Bonds Not Indicted — Yet

Grand jury to continue investigation of slugger for tax fraud, perjury

BASEBALL | Federal prosecutors said they would not seek an indictment Thursday against Barry Bonds, but that a grand jury investigating the baseball star for perjury and tax evasion charges would continue its work.

"The United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of California is not seeking an indictment today in connection with the ongoing steroids-related investigation," Luke Macauley, a spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's office in San Francisco, said in a statement.

"Much has been accomplished to date, and we will continue to move forward actively in this investigation — including continuing to seek the truthful testimony of witnesses whose testimony the grand jury is



The saga isn't over for the Giants' Barry Bonds, who is still under investigation.

entitled to hear," he said.

Members of the grand jury investigating Bonds arrived at the fed-

eral courthouse Thursday for what was expected to be their final day of work.

Mark Geragos, attorney for Bonds' personal trainer, told The Associated Press his client would be released later in the day from federal prison, where Greg Anderson was sent more than two weeks ago after he refused to testify to the grand jury.

The judge said Anderson was to be held until he agreed to testify against Bonds or the grand jury's term expired. With the grand jury apparently being extended beyond Thursday, it was unclear whether Anderson still will be released.

Bonds will be in D.C. Tuesday through Thursday for a series between the Giants and the Nationals. In 75 games this season, Bonds is batting .250 — his lowest average since 1989. He has hit 13 home runs this season.

DAVID KRAVETS AND PAUL ELIAS (AP)

New Forward Songaila Should Bolster Defense

WIZARDS | The Washington Wizards introduced forward Darius Songaila on Thursday, saying he is an enforcer who can bolster the team's weak front-court defense.

The Wizards signed Songaila to a five-year deal worth about \$21 million Wednesday, less than a year after he signed with the Chicago Bulls as a free agent.

"We had a couple goals, and one was to get someone in the front line who is a tough, rugged, hard-nosed competitor. That's what Darius is," said general manager Ernie Grunfeld.

The Wizards are coming off back-to-back playoff appearances, but Grunfeld has said he would like to improve the defense, especially in the paint. Songaila helped the Bulls hold opponents to shoot 42.6 percent last season, the best in the NBA. (AP)

Entertainment Weekend

NIGHTLIFE AGENDA

Party Over Here: Busta Rhymes has got you all in check, bringing cuts from his latest, 'The Big Bang,' to Love on Friday | **22**



THE DOOR'S OPEN: The monster house in the movie and the movie "Monster House" — are both scary and well-constructed.

Abandon Hope

Kids confront their fears in a solidly built 'Monster House'

FILM | The difference between "Monster House" and most other animated movies is a little thing

called story. It actually has one, and doesn't just trot out cheeky characters spewing gratuitous pop-culture references.

Using motion-capture animation, first-time director Gil Kenan tells the tale of three kids who realize that the suburban house where

a crotchety old man lives isn't just creaky and spooky. It's a snarling, gnashing monster that devours anything or anyone that dares come near it — toys, bikes, dogs, even people.

"Monster House" taps accurately into fears and folklore

that everyone will recognize from childhood, which makes the script (from Dan Harmon, Rob Schrab and Pamela Pettler) completely timeless. The central figure of mystery is Mr. Nebbercracker (Steve Buscemi), a wrinkly, scrawny old dude who flails furiously at anyone foolish enough to step on his lawn. And if you're playing ball in the street, and it happens to roll onto his property, you can just forget about it.

Awkward 12-year-old DJ Walters (Mitchel Musso) is starting to suspect that his neighbor is even more sinister than he appears. No one will listen to him, of course. His only ally is his best friend: a goofy, overfed kid with the nickname Chowder (Sam Lerner). Their team expands to three when Jenny (Spencer Locke), a brainy girl from a private school, gets sucked into their adventures.

When a confrontation with Nebbercracker sends the old man off in an ambulance, DJ is sure the house itself is coming after him for revenge, and the way in which Kenan & Co. depict this showdown is filled with palpable suspense and gloom. The compositions can be positively Hitchcockian at times in their creativity and off-kilter sense of dread.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

Got Plans?

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I'm going to a Friday-night Nats game. Should I just go with dogs and beers at the park, or is there something nearby?

Skip the dogs and beers at the park if you can help it. You can hit Tunnickliff's before the game for \$2 Buds and that famous Stoney's-style grilled cheese. Other good pre-game spots are Trusty's and the Pour House. You can also get a shuttle to the park from all three spots.

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Are there any bars or restaurants that sponsor free poker tournaments?

Some of the best places to play free Texas Hold 'Em at the moment are Asylum (Adams Morgan), Clarendon Grill (Clarendon) and Ned Devine's (Herndon). One company puts on games at Orange Ball Billiards in Rockville on Saturdays. Games start at 4 and 7 p.m.

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Superpowers Failure

Uma Thurman glows in the comedy dud 'Super Ex-Girlfriend'

FILM | One of the freshest movie premises of the summer — and one of the best casting choices — are utterly wasted in "My Super Ex-Girlfriend."

This comedy is so unfunny, it's like director Ivan Reitman and company had their senses of humor tranquilized from guzzling kryptonite lattes.

Thurman stars as Jenny Johnson, whose teenage encounter with a meteorite gave her super strength, the ability to fly and other



COMIC KRYPTONITE: Luke Wilson makes a wan boyfriend for dynamic Thurman.

powers. Toiling as a mild-mannered art curator by day, Jenny moonlights as G-Girl, a hot, chic superheroine.

Needy and neurotic, Jenny becomes a clinging girlfriend to architect Matt Saunders (Luke Wilson), who's initially thrilled

at bedding a superhero but soon decides to break it off over her possessive behavior.

Jenny vows revenge, especially as Matt begins to romance a co-worker (Anna Faris). A scene where Jenny tosses a live shark at Matt is mildly amusing, but most of her other little retributions are tame and lame.

Thurman is ravishing as G-Girl and alluring in a schoolmarmish way as Jenny, and she injects far more spirit into the character and dialogue than the script contains. But Wilson is so banal he kind of evaporates alongside Thurman. Rainn Wilson is given such feeble wisecracks to spout he kind of evaporates alongside Matt.

Faris is forgettable, Eddie Izzard is tossed in as G-Girl's archrival, and Wanda Sykes has a few shrill scenes as Matt's boss.

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

A Soggy Story

'Lady in the Water' lets randomness sink its sense of wonder

FILM | There's a difference between storytelling and myth-making. M. Night Shyamalan can be very good at the former, but he's not so hot at the latter with his latest film, "Lady in the Water."

A tale that originated as a bedtime story Shyamalan made up for his kids, "Lady in the Water" carries much of the dark, broody atmosphere that's a signature in the writer-director's films, including "The Sixth Sense," "Signs" and "The Village."

The premise — a mystical water nymph living under the swimming pool of a drab apartment complex — is intriguing, yet the mythology Shyamalan builds around his main characters is forced, pretentious and at times outright silly.

Strong performances from Paul Giamatti as the complex's melancholy manager, Bryce Dallas Howard as the nymph and a plucky supporting cast of amiable weirdos makes the fantasy occasionally palatable — but just barely.

One night, Cleveland Heep (Giamatti) discovers a nymph (or “narf”) named Story (Howard) has been living in a chamber beneath the swimming pool. Story’s from a parallel world sent to help violent humanity reconnect with its spiritual, magical side, and Cleveland learns through contrived and dubious means the importance and tactics of send-



ALL WET: Paul Giamatti plays a human, Bryce Dallas Howard not so much.

ing her back home.

There are creatures bound to help her, others that aim to stop her, and denizens of the Cove have designated roles to play in Story's fate. Shyamalan piles it on like the arbitrary rules of a video game, to the point where a what-the-heck-

is-going-on factor drowns the filmmaker's attempt to invoke child-like wonder.

It would be nice to say “Lady in the Water” is a story for the kid in all of us. But it should have remained a story just for Shyamalan’s kids. DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

Netflix to Help Out NBC-TV

CROSS-POLLINATION | NBC said it will let Netflix subscribers take sneak peeks at two new series before the shows air on the network.

Subscribers of the online movie-rental service will be able to rent DVDs with the debut episodes of "Studio 60 on the Sunset Strip" and "Kidnapped" starting Aug. 5, about six weeks before the shows premiere on television.

The DVDs also will contain preview trailers of NBC's other fall drama series.

The network is hoping the arrangement will generate word-of-mouth buzz for the shows.

Action serial "Kidnapped" fol-

lows a single case all season. "Studio 60" goes behind the scenes of a fictional comedy show similar to "Saturday Night Live."

"The promotion takes aim at the Netflix demographic-rich entertainment consumer who is looking for this kind of high-end television show," said NBC Universal Television Group marketing chief John Miller.

Netflix plans to run online ads for the DVDs. NBC will promote the DVDs on network spots. (AP)

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Weekend Entertainment

Nightlife Agenda

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT? BY FRITZ HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

FRIDAY

It can be a drag to have to pack it in when your last destination of the night brings the house lights up. It's rare to find a place that allows you to wind down slowly or continue to chat up that nice new friend you made. Thankfully, Bilal Salaam is making such a space available at **BOHEMIAN CAVERNS** after his gig with India.Arie. His Bohemian Tea Party is a free after-hours jam session featuring some of his soulful and jazzy local peers.

Busta Rhymes, bringing the manic energy and party jams to **LOVE**, continues to lead and dominate the rap world. The madness in the club bangers on each of his CDs is only one element in this master MC's toolbox. Between albums, Busta still floods the streets with full mixtapes: No one else with almost 20 years in the game does. He linked up with Dr. Dre's Aftermath Records and, though it's missing that amazing



ENTER THE WOO-HAH! Now in his mid-30s, Busta Rhymes signed with Elektra when he was 17 and quickly appeared on A Tribe Called Quest's hit "Scenario."

cut with Eminem, the resulting new album, "The Big Bang," shows that decision's wisdom.

Benefit shows have a way of bringing together mixed bills. At **JIN**, DJ Fresh spins bhangra and hip-hop local, local indie rockers Metropolitan rock and Jared Rehberg folks it up. Proceeds ben-

efit the Children's Home Society and Family Services. The \$20 cover may seem steep, but if you get there at 8 p.m., you can enjoy free Tsingtao beer for two hours.

Super producer King Britt is known for his deep soulful remixes and Afrobeat excursions, as well as the funk revivalism of his out-

fit Sylk 130, but he also has techno roots. He'll do a late-night shift on the wheels at **FIVE**.

SATURDAY

Unlimited crabs, unlimited beer, hot jazz and Dixieland, dancing: The **POTOMAC RIVER JAZZ CLUB**'s annual Jazz and Crab Feast has just about everything you'll ever need. Performing again this year is the Buck Creek Jazz Band, which plays '20s and '30s-style jazz that's perfect for the Charleston. The fun begins at 1 p.m. and the \$35 tickets can be purchased from prjc.org. No tickets will be available at the door.

DJ Rob Paine is developing a reputation for fusing Jamaican dub with house music. Anchoring an intriguing stylistic mash-up of an evening, he'll be taking the turntables at **FIVE** after an early set by Sister Nancy, a dominating female voice for decades. Her tune "Bam Bam" over the classic "stalg riddim" is known the world over. Also featured on tonight's diverse bill is the funky house of Implicit and Suneel.

MONDAY

Between all the rain and heat, perhaps you haven't gone to **FORT RENO**, a free outdoor venue, yet this



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THE BREAK-UP (PG-13, 105 minutes) Vince Vaughn plays Gary, whose idea of a good time is shooting pool, watching the Cubs or firing up a video game while his girlfriend, Brooke (Jennifer Aniston), kvetches in the background. She's a humor-impaired gallery dealer with a sharp eye for Gary's domestic shortcomings. She may be right, but he's funny. And in comedy, serious loses and funny wins. Nobody likes a fixed fight, except the backroom boys making the deal, which is why this comedy may have its share of laughs but isn't much fun. (DT)

CARS (G, 116 minutes) This animated fable is the story of a fellow with what might be called auto-erratic tendencies. He pays too much attention to himself and must have his frame straightened, his lube changed. Okay, so? He's a car. Our hero, Lightning McQueen (Owen Wilson), is a sleek, red sportster on the racing circuit. He thinks quite highly of himself, particularly when he ties for the Piston Cup. A runoff is set in California a week hence, even if Lightning's crew has abandoned him because of his selfish ways. Off he sets, in the belly of his one remaining friend, a big rig geared for auto transport. This is the latest concoction from the geniuses at Pixar, and it's great fun, if well under the level of the first "Toy Story." (SH)

CLICK (PG-13, 98 minutes) Adam Sandler, impersonating workaholic architect Michael Newman, acquires the ultimate in universal remotes — that is, a remote that controls the universe. With the click of a button, he is able to fast forward through the boring or unpleasant parts of his life, pause to extract a petty revenge on oppressors, turn down the volume on arguments with his wife. It's a crass physical comedy of unrelenting

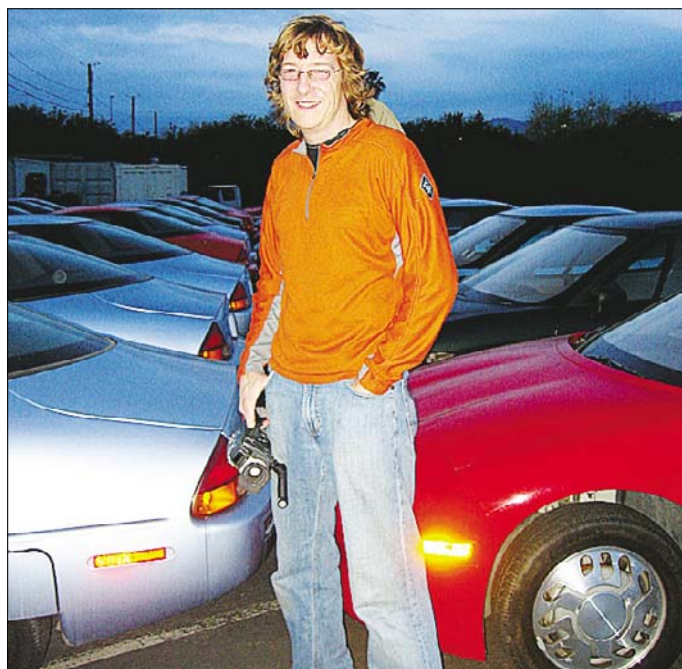


ANOTHER EXCELLENT ADVENTURE: Keanu Reeves is at his most animated in "A Scanner Darkly," a film that's set seven years in the future and depicts a war on drugs.

irrelevance with a gag or two amid the many other examples of bad taste. But what's wrong with this movie isn't the movie, it's Sandler himself, his sensibility, his sense of humor, which is aggressively hostile. Halfway through the overlong film I was the one wishing for a remote. I'd have at that off button so fast it'd make your nose bleed. (SH)

THE DA VINCI CODE (PG-13, 148 minutes) The most controversial thriller of the year turns out to be about as exciting as watching your parents play Sudoku. Ron Howard's adaptation of the Dan Brown novel plays it so safe that it actually may be proven to lower pulses. From a dispassionate Tom Hanks as symbolologist Robert Langdon to a script carefully written to mollify Christians already upset by the film's premise of a Jesus and Mary Magdalene hook-up, this film is a bland piece of high-grade cheese. Still, the readers who gulped down Brown's thriller — in which a murder leads to revelations about a conspiracy in the Catholic church — will enjoy seeing his talky scavenger hunt reenacted. (AH)

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13, 109 minutes) Meryl Streep plays Miranda Priestly, the driven, demanding editor-in-chief of "Runway," the bible of New York fashion magazines. Unable to keep a decent assistant, Miranda's latest hire is Andy Sachs (Anne Hathaway), the smart girl who eschews fashion (at first) and arrives at her job at "Runway" head-to-toe out of place. She wants to be a serious writer. She is horrified by Miranda's demands, even though they are legendary to anyone who knows



GM, WITH THE CRUSHER, IN THE DESERT

Inconvenient Truths

It was reported recently that General Motors Corp. is developing a hybrid-electric car with a battery that could be recharged at any outlet. With soaring gas prices and increasingly dire news about global warming, GM's plans could be seen as a step in the right direction. Ironically, it was General Motors that produced the first modern electric car back in 1996 — the EV1. Then it quite literally took the cars out of the hands of drivers and destroyed the vehicles. "Who Killed the Electric Car?" examines the short life and death of the EV1 and why GM crushed the fleet in the Arizona desert. It's a complicated story — sort of a vehicular version of "Murder on the Orient Express" — with the auto manufacturers, the government, the oil companies and consumers all sharing blame in the demise of the EV1. SUSAN KING (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

anything about the industry. Can Andy survive a year of Miranda and, in return, win a recommendation that will get her in the door at any magazine in Manhattan? That, in essence, is the plot of the film. Streep makes it work. Streep makes it fun. (JENNIFER FREY)

GARFIELD: A TAIL OF TWO KITTIES (PG, 88 minutes) Despite the Dickensian title, this movie draws its inspiration (maybe too grand a word) from Mark Twain's "The Prince and the Pauper," about a high-born and a low-born of identical appearance who involuntarily switch places in the capital city of the British empire. But these transferees are fat orange tabbies. The movie is intermittently amusing, particularly when the American human part of the cast (Breckin Meyer and Jennifer Love Hewitt) are off-screen. (SH)

THE HEART OF THE GAME (PG-13, 98 minutes) This documentary about a first-time basketball coach who takes a girls' high-school team from obscurity to the state finals combines non-stop action with an absorbing story to become a classic on par with "Hoosiers" and "Hoop Dreams." Seattle's Roosevelt High School coach, Bill Resler, a college professor, moonlights out of love for the game and belief in women's sports. There are the David-and-Goliath victories, the squabbles, the sweat, the tears, the joy. And then there's Darnellia Russell, who possesses the intuitive physical genius of a great player; when her story takes a twist, the film acquires an unexpected depth and urgency. (AH)

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With "Clerks II," Kevin Smith revisits the characters who made him an indie darling and a cult favorite, and finds himself back at the top of his game. "Clerks II" goes disastrously awry in the third act, but before that, when the insults are flowing and the graphic banter is crackling, the film frequently achieves a rhythm that's hilariously infectious. The sequel begins in grainy black-and-white at the suburban New Jersey Quik Stop, only the place is on fire, causing "Clerks II" to shift cleverly into color and forcing Quik Stop employees Dante (Brian O'Halloran) and Randal (Jeff Anderson) to find jobs they hate somewhere else. They end up at Mooby's, a sort of evil, Disneyfied fast-food chain. Smith won't win any new converts with "Clerks II," but he'll satisfy the devoted core audience. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**

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minutes) This documentary by Davis Guggenheim follows Al Gore on his world tour, in which he warns audiences that humankind faces dire climatic consequences if it doesn't curb carbon dioxide emissions. We know what you're thinking, but as this surprisingly absorbing film shows, Gore's lectures are anything but dull. Although his onstage presentation tells us nothing new, it has a renewed potency, in light of growing scientific consensus about changing weather patterns. There will be those speculators who see the stirrings of a presidential run. But for viewers of any stripe, there's something perhaps even more fascinating: a quintessentially American story of reinvention. **(DT)**

KEEPING UP WITH THE STEINS (PG-13, 90 minutes) This movie chronicles a manhood crisis in the life of Hollywood agent Adam Fiedler (Jeremy Piven), who decides that his son, Ben (Daryl Sabara), must have a bigger bar mitz-

vah party than the son of a workplace competitor (who held the festivities on an ocean liner). In his state of competitive madness, it doesn't matter to the otherwise affable Adam what Ben wants; his son's party is all about him. The characters never become more than stereotype, and Piven's Adam is a big disappointment. **(SH)**

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG, 120 minutes) Keanu Reeves and Sandra Bullock fall in love by letters that pass not through the U.S. Postal Service, but the fabric of reality itself. The magical mailbox is in front of a house on the edge of a lake. The problem is that Reeves's Alex Wyler is in '04 and Bullock's Kate Forster is in '06. The movie itself doesn't take time travel very seriously, or it doesn't take science fiction very seriously. The characters are more interesting than the story, so why not just let it play out in real time? It's sugary sweet and based on a premise that's ridiculous. **(SH)**

LEONARD COHEN I'M YOUR MAN (PG-13, 104 minutes) The biggest disappointment of the year so far may be this documentary about the great singer-songwriter. It is bloodless where it should be bold,

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GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER: Owen Wilson, above, Matt Dillon and Kate Hudson do themselves no favors in "Dupree."

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precious where it should be perceptive and irritating where it should be inspiring. Rather than a portrait of a surpassingly wise and gifted artist, this is a documentary of a tribute concert in which a whole new group of young singers pays flimsy homage to the master, intercut with intimate but unrevealing interviews with Cohen. (AH)

LITTLE MAN (PG-13, 98 minutes) This movie is about what you'd think a movie in which a man masquerades as a baby would be. Every orifice is covered, and the product of every orifice is also covered, and the vocabulary that describes both the orifice and its product is detailed. The gimmick features Marlon Wayans — actually, his face — magically computer-painted on various aspects of two little persons named Linden Porco and Gabriel Pimental. Marlon's face and Linden and Gabriel's body play the jewel thief Calvin who, in the confusion of a major job, dumps his loot in a woman's purse and must therefore penetrate her house to reacquire it. He pretends to be a baby in order to get into it. (SH)

THE LOST CITY (R, 143 minutes) Actual memories are at the heart of Andy Garcia's tribute to pre-revolutionary Havana, an elegy on what was lost, a little payback for a regime that drove his family out and, best of all, a synthesis of the driving Afro-Cuban rhythms of the extraordinary music. (SH)

LOWER CITY (R, 110 minutes) Deco (Lazaro Ramos) and Naldinho (Wagner Moura) love each other like brothers, and

they almost are brothers, from the same mean streets, pals through the years. They own a boat and cobble out a living moving cargo downriver to Salvador da Bahia, a port city on Brazil's east coast. Then they pick up a big load of trouble: Her name is Karinna (Alice Braga, Sonia's niece), her blondness comes out of a bottle and she's a pro. The movie is sexy, but in a nice, dirty way. Everyone in it is deliciously low and sleazy, and so underdressed in the blazing heat that they are just dying to strip. (SH)

MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE III (PG-13, 126 minutes) The problem with the first two "M:I" movies was that they should have been called "Mission: Highly Probable." Too often the action came down to Tom Cruise's character, Ethan Hunt, troubleshooting a computer system or dangling from a guy wire. The wires are still there in this sequel, but Cruise is at his scowling/smiling best as he jumps, shoots and leaves. Best is Philip Seymour Hoffman as the baddie. (AH)

NACHO LIBRE (PG, 90 minutes) Jack Black, hiding behind a large, bad Mexican accent and a perm from hell, plays Ignacio, nicknamed Nacho, a monk in an orphanage whose job consists of fixing beans for the kids. Beans? Bean jokes? Okay, beans are funny — if you're 12. Nacho secretly signs up for a wrestling match to raise money to buy lettuce for salads to relieve the monotony of the beans and perhaps give us sanctuary from the bean jokes. The movie then follows the secret career of Nacho Libre the wrestler, juxtaposing it with the banality of the monk Ignacio, who is the butt of all that witty monastery repartee. Is it funny? Now and then. Stupid? Very. Racist? Possibly.

Ugly? Profoundly. Wild? Undeniably. Singular? Completely. (AH)

ONCE IN A LIFETIME: THE EXTRAORDINARY STORY OF THE NEW YORK COSMOS (PG-13, 97 minutes) This informative and entertaining documentary by Paul Crowder and John Dower blows the dust off a fascinating era: the rise and fall of America's most storied soccer team. In the 1970s, the Cosmos attracted sellout crowds and made soccer in the Big Apple a must-see sport. The team's jewel in the crown was superstar Pelé. But after poor television ratings and in-house fighting, the Cosmos folded. The movie gives an evocative sense of the period, and anyone who wants to relive this flamboyant but fleeting chapter in America's uneven soccer history should not miss this. (DT)

OVER THE HEDGE (PG, 87 minutes) The woodland creatures' habitat is losing ground to development. They've got no choice but to slip through the big hedge that rings the human world and make for the trash cans. Welcome to an amusing war between cute critters and crass consumers. On the good side, we have a scheming raccoon named RJ (voiced by Bruce Willis) and his pals. And in the villains' corner, we have Gladys (Allison Janney), a homemaker with the soul of Cruella De Vil who dispatches an exterminator to take care of the furry invaders. Jokes are packed into every pixel of this movie, but there's such a knowing swagger about its comedy, there seems to be no innocence in the mix at all. (DT)

PEACEFUL WARRIOR (PG-13, 120 minutes) Scott Mechlowicz plays Dan Millman, a gymnast who, though having

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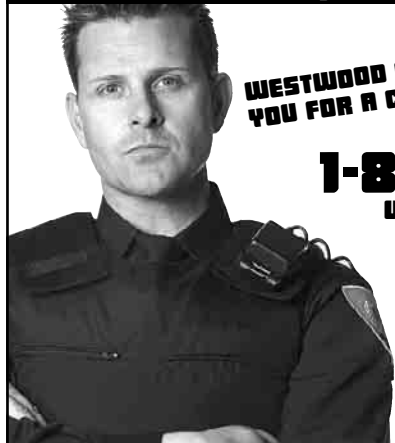
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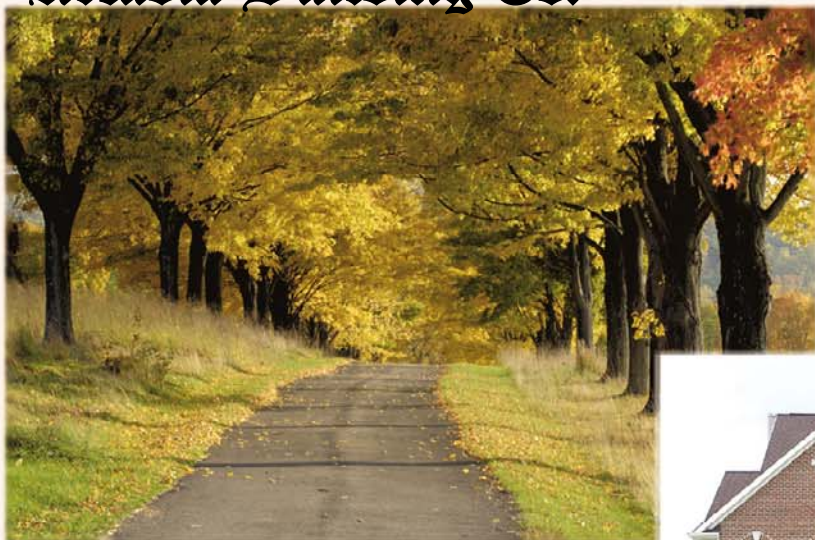
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it all, is wracked by fear, guilt and emptiness. One night, he jogs by a gas station on the edge of campus. Its gruff owner turns out to be Nick Nolte. Dan chats the older fellow up and finds him a unique repository of the kind of wisdom a high school sophomore would find impressive. Well, you can see where this is going. Director Victor Salva underscores his points with thunderous obviousness and manipulates us through ham-handed plot gambits: the accident, the recovery, the anger, the secret recovery, the triumph at "the finals." Aghhhhhhhhh. (SH)

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13, 140 minutes) Will Turner (Orlando Bloom) is dispatched to steal Jack Sparrow's (Johnny Depp) mystical compass, which is believed to lead to the chest containing the soul of Davy Jones. And Elizabeth Swann (Keira Knightley) stows away as a man aboard Sparrow's ship to find fiancé Will, who's presumed lost. The movie's most entertaining feature is its computer-generated creations. There's a creepy pleasure in the shipload of spectral, grotesque

pirates who haunt Sparrow's scheming soul. But don't look for the collision of innocence and danger that made the first film so provocative. (DT)

A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG-13, 105 minutes) There's no mention of Lake Wobegon in this Robert Altman film. Instead, Altman and Garrison Keillor concoct a sort of parallel universe in which a radio show faces its final broadcast. The film is a loopy backstage drama, with Meryl Streep, Lily Tomlin and Lindsay Lohan playing new characters and Keillor officiating the proceedings. It seems a corporation has bought the station and intends to turn it into a parking lot. But until that moment, Keillor is determined



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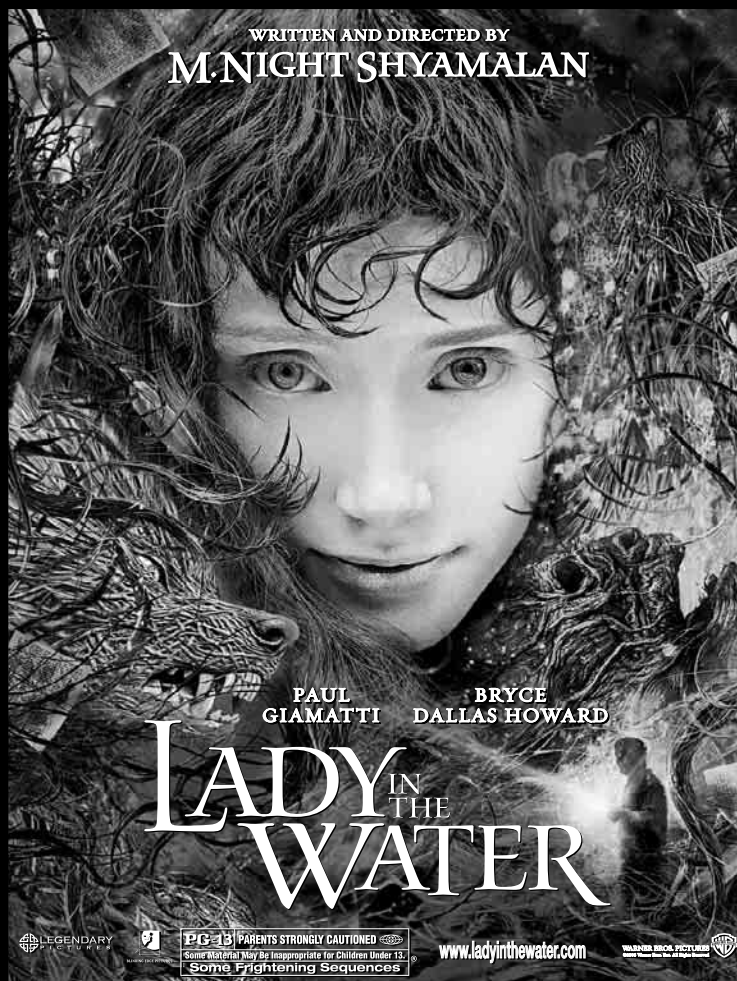
to let the show go on. There are snatches of fun throughout the film, but as it tries to embrace the spirit of the radio series, it suffocates the qualities that make the original show so special. (DT)

POSEIDON (PG-13, 97 minutes) When the big wave hits the luxury liner, it hits like a sledgehammer wielded by an angry sea god. Director Wolfgang Petersen doesn't spare the carnage. People die in the hundreds, the thousands. Against this carnival of death, the film quickly isolates a small team of free thinkers who head upward, trusting their instincts over official bromides. The movie isn't cute, funny, warm, nice, inspirational or uplifting. It's

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about the incredible labor of survival in a world turned totally sociopathic in an instant. (SH)

THE ROAD TO GUANTANAMO (R, 95 minutes) This is a straight-down-the-middle account of three British citizens of Pakistani heritage who end up logging time in the compound at Camp Delta. In this docudrama re-creation, Shafiq (Riz Ahmed), Ruhel (Farhad Harun) and Monir (Waqar Siddiqui) appear to be without serious harm in mind, as far from jihad as could be imagined. They head to Pakistan, however, with very bad timing, immediately after Sept. 11, 2001. The film is certainly fair, clinging tightly to the accounts of the three actual young men to whom these events happened. The key question it raises: Is what happened to the Tipton Three an outrage? (SH)

A SCANNER DARKLY (R, 100 minutes) Richard Linklater's adaptation of Philip K. Dick's novel is in a special dimension. The director has re-rendered scenes with an electronic, watercolorish wash, transforming everything into a restive painting. The film, set "seven years from now" in Anaheim, Calif., pulls us into a world so lost in narcotic oblivion (20 percent of the population is hooked on a drug called Substance D) that no one quite grasps the larger dystopia. Without its animation, this would have made a fine cautionary tale about drug addiction, paranoia and institutional treachery in a police state. But with a technique that turns the existing live action into a two-dimensional cartoon, the movie goes one — maybe even 10 — better. It becomes its own living, breathing metaphor. (DT)

STRANGERS WITH CANDY (R, 87 minutes) The very sight of ex-jailbird, ex-junkie prostitute Jerri Blank will set her cult fans giggling, and as played with sour-mouthed conviction by Amy Sedaris, she's so grotesquely unpalatable, well, she's a comedic scream. The movie, starring most of the original performers and a celebrity cast that includes Philip Seymour Hoffman and Sarah Jessica Parker, recounts the events that led to forty-something Jerri's return to high school. Though the movie has its share of laugh-out-loud moments, its fleshing out of the story of Jerri's life blunts the original show's jagged satire. A long-winded, even tedious story becomes the comedy. (DT)

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13, 154 minutes) Superman's been gone for five years seeking remnants of Krypton among the stars. Satisfied, if melancholy that the



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old home orb is forever gone, he returns to Earth. Lois Lane (Kate Bosworth), for example, now has a child and a boyfriend, and Lex Luthor (Kevin Spacey) has just exited the slammer and started a newshe-nanigan. It follows that Lois and Clark deal with buried feelings, and there's even time for Supe to remember his boyhood in Kansas. What's missing? Oh, right, a plot. But the bottom line is that Superman has returned, and again, you will believe that a man can fly and that virtue is its own reward. (SH)

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R, 92 minutes) As a lobbyist for the tobacco industry, Nick Naylor (Aaron Eckhart) realizes that disingenuousness is a moral survival strategy. Watching Nick get away with murder is the fun of this adaptation of Christopher Buckley's 1994 novel. But as a satire on Tobacco Inc.'s ability to market carbon monoxide as the elixir of life, this movie should be packing more nicotine. (DT)

WAIST DEEP (R, 97 minutes) Tyrese Gibson plays O2, an ex-con with two strikes against him, determined not to stumble into California's Three Strikes Law. This is not easy, given his propensity for violence. Still, he's got an incentive: his son, Junior (H. Hunter Hall), who has been kidnapped after a carjacking. O2 enlists the aid of Coco (Meagan Good), a hustler who may have had something to do with Junior's kidnapping. It's not a great movie but an interesting one, a combination of exploitative hood flick and meditation on trust and love. (TW)

WATER (PG-13, 117 minutes) Set in 1930s India, this is something rare in the world of movies: an artistic muckraker. The subject is "widow wastage," the tradition in which a widow is consigned to an ashram. Just such a thing occurs when Chuyia (magically portrayed by Sarala) is left at an ashram by her embittered father. But Chuyia, a child bride of 8, is peculiarly resilient; with her energy, curiosity and optimism, she soon has the whole place in

a clamor. The movie is superb and strange at once, a discreet and self-disciplined attack dog of a movie. (SH)

THE WILD (G, 85 minutes) Samson the lion (voiced by Kiefer Sutherland) has just regaled his cub son, Ryan (Greg Cipes), with another tale of his brave exploits in the wild, before he was captured and put in the zoo. Feeling inadequate, Ryan slips into a storage container that appears bound for the real

wilderness. He changes his mind, but he's on his way. When Samson hears Ryan's cries, he recruits his zoo pals to give chase, and their rescue mission takes them across the seas. The adult jokes in this movie are welcome, but the too-cool-for-school humor carries on incessantly, relentlessly, as if the scriptwriters were paid by the gag. (DT)

WORDPLAY (PG, 94 minutes) This hugely likeable documentary celebrates nerdism, languages, sportsmanlike conduct and smart people who love the New York Times crossword puzzle, including Bill Clinton, Jon Stewart, Bob Dole and Mike Mussina. The film also profiles brilliant but less well-known puzzle-solvers who compete in the annual American Crossword Puzzle Tournament, puzzlemakers and Times puzzle editor Will Shortz. (JANE HORWITZ)

X-MEN: THE LAST STAND (PG-13, 104 minutes) The third installment in the series features the same core group of physically gifted mutants. A scientist discovers a cure for mutantism, leading each X to choose between retaining his or her often problematic powers or becoming human. Chock-full of ref-

erences to Nazi eugenics, the civil and disability rights movements and even the abortion wars, the film suggests that the personal is always political. But director Brett Ratner makes a hash of the story and characters, delivering a pumped-up exercise in mayhem, carnage and blunt-force trauma. (SH)

YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13, 108 minutes) Kate Hudson plays Molly, the daughter of a wealthy real-estate developer (Michael Douglas). Molly has just married one of her dad's employees, a designer named Carl (Matt Dillon). Carl's best friend, Dupree (Owen Wilson), has fallen on hard times and moves in with the newlyweds until he gets back on his feet. A series of slapstick, incendiary and raunchy high jinks ensues as the interloper insinuates himself ever into his hosts' lives. Artistically, the movie is a mess. Technically, it's an abomination. Spiritually, it's a void. (AH)



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CLERKS II (R) (10:40 @ \$5), 1:00, 3:20, 5:45, 8:10, 10:35
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) (11:45 @ \$5), 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) (11:35 @ \$5), 2:10, 4:35, 7:00, 9:25
MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) (10:30 @ \$5), 12:45, 3:05, 5:25, 7:50, 10:25
LITTLE MAN (PG13) (11:50 @ \$5), 2:20, 4:45, 7:20, 9:40
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) (11:15 @ \$5), 12:20, 1:50, 2:55, 4:25, 5:35, 7:10, 8:20, 9:45, 10:55
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) 12:20, 2:55, 5:35, 8:20, 10:55
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) (11:10, 11:55 @ \$5), 12:40, 2:40, 3:15, 4:05, 6:05, 6:45, 7:35, 9:30, 10:15, 11:00
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) (11:40 @ \$5), 2:15, 4:50, 7:25, 10:05
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) (11:30 @ \$5), 3:00, 6:35, 10:00
CLICK (PG13) (11:20 @ \$5), 2:00, 4:55, 7:45, 10:30
CARS (G) (10:45 @ \$5), 1:30, 4:15, 7:05, 9:50

LOEWS FAIRFAX SQUARE 8

8065 Leesburg Pike
703-506-9857 802

LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) (11:00 @ \$4), 1:45, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
SHOCKFIELD 2 (PG) (11:15 @ \$4), 1:30, 3:30, 5:30
NACHO LIBRE (PG) 7:35, 9:45
CARS (G) (10:45 @ \$4), 1:15, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50
THE BREAK-UP (PG13) 12:30, 8:00
X-MEN 3 (PG13) (10:00 @ \$4), 12:15, 2:30, 5:10, 7:45, 10:05
THE DA VINCI CODE (PG13) 12:15, 4:05, 7:15, 10:15
KITHAKITHALU (NR-NOT RATED) 1:00, 5:00, 9:00



THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) (10:15 @ \$4), 4:15, 10:10
AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) (10:30 @ \$4), 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 8:15, 10:20

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12

800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220 844

CLERKS II (R) (11:50 @ \$5), 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:30
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) (10:45 @ \$5), 1:25, 4:10, 7:10, 10:15
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MONSTER HOUSE (PG) (11:00 @ \$5), 1:20, 3:30, 6:50, 9:30
MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) (11:30 @ \$5), 2:05, 4:45, 7:25, 10:20
SHADOWBOXER (R) (11:15 @ \$5), 1:40, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
LITTLE MAN (PG13) (10:20, 11:20 @ \$5), 1:00, 2:00, 3:30, 4:40, 5:50, 7:20, 8:20, 10:00, 10:50
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) (11:10 @ \$5), 1:50, 4:30, 7:30, 10:35
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) (11:45 @ \$5), 3:20, 7:00, 10:25
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) (10:35 @ \$5), 1:35, 4:20, 6:55, 10:05
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) (11:55 @ \$5), 3:40, 7:10, 10:40
CLICK (PG13) 4:25
WAIST DEEP (R) 7:05, 9:50
CARS (G) (10:40 @ \$5), 1:30

LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7

2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

CLERKS II (R) (11:10 @ \$5), 1:20, 3:50, 7:00, 9:10
SHADOWBOXER (R) (11:50 @ \$5), 2:00, 4:20, 7:30, 10:00



A SCANNER DARKLY (R) (11:50 @ \$5), 1:10, 4:40, 7:40, 9:50
LEONARD COHEN: I'M YOUR MAN (PG13) 1:00, 7:00
WHO KILLED THE ELECTRIC CAR? (PG) (11:30 @ \$5), 1:50, 4:30, 10:30
WORDPLAY (PG) (11:40 @ \$5), 1:40, 4:10, 7:10, 9:20
A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG13) (10:50 @ \$5), 3:40, 9:40
AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) (11:20 @ \$5), 1:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:20

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16

7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

CLERKS II (R) ✓ (10:35 @ \$5), 1:05, 3:30, 5:55, 8:20, 10:50
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) ✓ (11:15 @ \$5), 1:55, 4:40, 7:30, 10:15
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) ✓ (10:20 @ \$5), 12:40, 3:00, 5:30, 7:55, 10:10
MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) ✓ (11:35 @ \$5), 2:05, 4:30, 7:00, 9:35, 11:50
LITTLE MAN (PG13) ✓ (11:05 @ \$5), 1:30, 4:20, 7:05, 9:30, 11:45
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) ✓ (11:00 @ \$5), 12:15, 1:45, 3:10, 4:25, 5:50, 7:10, 8:30, 9:50, 11:10
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) (10:30, 11:40 @ \$5), 12:50, 2:00, 3:05, 4:10, 5:20, 6:30, 7:40, 8:40, 9:55, 10:55
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) (11:40 @ \$5), 3:05, 6:30, 9:55
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) (10:40 @ \$5), 12:00, 1:25, 2:35, 4:05, 5:25, 6:45, 8:10, 9:25, 10:45
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) (10:50 @ \$5), 12:30, 2:20, 4:15, 5:45, 7:35, 9:10, 11:00
CLICK (PG13) (11:10 @ \$5), 1:40, 4:35, 7:20, 10:00



A SCANNER DARKLY (R) (10:25 @ \$5), 12:55, 3:15, 5:40, 8:15, 10:40

AMC RIVERTOWNE 12

Exit 4A I-95, 1/2 mi. on Oxon Hill Rd.
703-998-4AMC

CLERKS II (R) (10:50 @ \$4), 1:20, 4:15, 7:20, 10:00
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) (11:45 @ \$4), 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30
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LITTLE MAN (PG13) (10:30, 11:45 @ \$4), 1:00, 2:00, 4:10, 5:00, 7:30, 8:00, 10:15, 10:45
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) (11:00 @ \$4), 1:50, 4:40, 7:50, 10:40
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) (10:30, 11:45 @ \$4), 1:45, 3:30, 5:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:30
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) (11:35 @ \$4), 2:50, 6:45, 10:25
CLICK (PG13) (11:50 @ \$4), 2:30, 5:30
WAIST DEEP (R) 8:00, 10:35
CARS (G) (10:40 @ \$4), 1:30, 4:30, 7:40, 10:20

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8

Courthouse and Birch Rd.
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CLERKS II (R) ✓ (10:45, 11:30 @ \$4), 1:00, 2:00, 3:30, 4:40, 5:40, 7:05, 8:05, 9:40, 10:40
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) ✓ (10:15, 11:15 @ \$4), 12:45, 1:45, 3:15, 4:30, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 10:00, 10:45
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) ✓ (10:00 @ \$4), 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:50
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) ✓ (11:45 @ \$4), 1:30, 2:15, 4:15, 5:00, 7:00, 7:45, 9:45, 10:15
CARS (G) (10:30 @ \$4), 1:15, 4:05, 6:45, 9:30

AMC COUNTRY CLUB MALL 6

Country Club Mall on Vocke Rd near Route 68.
703-998-4AMC

CLERKS II (R) ✓ (11:15 @ \$4), 1:45, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) ✓ (10:45 @ \$4), 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:10
MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) ✓ (11:15 @ \$4), 1:45, 4:15, 7:45, 10:10
MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) (11:15 @ \$4), 1:45, 4:15, 7:45, 10:10
LITTLE MAN (PG13) ✓ (11:00 @ \$4), 1:30, 4:15, 7:30, 9:45
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SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 1:30, 7:15
CLICK (PG13) (11:00 @ \$4), 4:45, 10:30

LOEWS WISCONSIN AVE. 6

4000 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.
202-244-0882 714

MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) 1:55, 4:25, 7:05, 9:30
LITTLE MAN (PG13) 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:00, 12:45, 2:45, 3:15, 4:10, 6:05, 6:30, 7:30, 9:25, 9:40
CLICK (PG13) 4:20, 9:35



A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG13) 1:50, 7:00

LOEWS DUPONT 5

1350 19th St.
202-872-9555 711



A SCANNER DARKLY (R) (11:15 @ \$5), 12:00, 2:30, 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 9:00, 9:50
THE HEART OF THE GAME (PG13) (11:30 @ \$5), 4:30, 7:00
THE ROAD TO GUANTANAMO (R) 1:45, 9:40
WORDPLAY (PG) (11:45 @ \$5), 2:20, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30
THE LOST CITY (R) (11:00 @ \$5), 2:00, 5:30, 8:30
WATER (PG13) 2:00, 6:30

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5

North Bethesda
310-423-1014 741

LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) (11:50 @ \$4), 2:25, 5:00, 7:35, 10:15
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 12:00, 2:30, 4:45, 7:05, 9:30
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) (11:50 @ \$4), 2:30, 5:05, 7:40, 10:10
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2:20, 4:45, 7:30, 9:20, 9:55
WHO KILLED THE ELECTRIC CAR? (PG)
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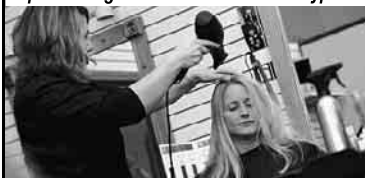
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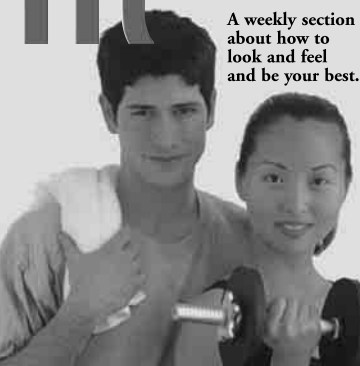


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WE'RE GONNA NEED A BIGGER SHELF: Kelsey Grammer's body must be fitted with Emmy magnets, because the four-time winner has just won another, for his voiceover work as homicidal kiddie-show second banana Sideshow Bob on "The Simpsons."



Television

ON TV THIS WEEKEND

BOO-HOO, I HAVE A BEST-SELLER The refreshing 2006 comedy **READ IT AND WEEP** (8 p.m., Disney) treats overnight success and media attention as a slowly gathering nightmare. Kay Panabaker stars as a normal girl with slightly nerdy friends whose secret diary-turned-best-seller suddenly catapults her into a world of publicists and handlers, talk shows and stylists.

MAKE US LAUGH Six would-be comics learn the craft of funny at New York's American Comedy Institute on the 10-part series **STAND UP OR SHUT UP!** (7:50 p.m., Starz).

NICE TRY, KIDS Elvis Costello performs songs old and new and hears variations on his greatest hits from artists including Billie Joe

Armstrong, Fiona Apple and Death Cab for Cutie on **DECADES ROCK LIVE: ELVIS COSTELLO** (8 p.m., VH1, Classic).

DOES THIS MEAN ESPADRILLES FOR MEN ARE COMING BACK? Now that we seem to be living in George Orwell's novel "1984," isn't it funny how nostalgic we've become for the actual year 1984? NBC repeats the 1984 pilot



AND BEHOLD: All men shall eschew dress shirts and become stubbled hunks.

movie **MIAMI VICE** (Sat., 8 p.m.), which launched the stylish Friday-night series starring Don Johnson as Sonny Crockett and Phillip Michael Thomas as Ricardo Tubbs. Of course, this repeat "Vice" is not a mere exercise in nostalgia. It's designed to spark interest in Hollywood's latest retread, the new "Miami Vice" movie starring Colin Farrell and Jamie Foxx.

THOSE DARN ANGELS — THEY'RE ALWAYS AT WAR A dreamy teen (Paul Wesley) has a secret. The good news is that he's actually from a race of fallen angels. The bad news is that there is a squad of evil angels bent on his destruction. Such is the plot of the 2006 TV fantasy **FALLEN** (Sun., 8 p.m., Family), the pilot for a recurring series slated for 2007.

LOOK WHO'S GONE HOLLYWOOD What's become of HGTV? The Knoxville, Tenn.-based network used to be so folksy

and unaffected. Now, it's gone "fabulous" on us. Evidence of this awkward lurch toward the trendy can be found on **DESIGN STAR** (Sun., 9 p.m., HGTV), which borrows shamelessly from virtually every reality show known to man, from "Real World" to "Big Brother" to "Joe Schmo," "Amazing Race" and "Project Runway."

ASKING WHY Last year's devastating Hurricane Katrina revealed more than nature's wrath. It reminded Americans of a segment of society seemingly paralyzed by poverty. Tom Brokaw hosts **SEPARATE & UNEQUAL** (Sun., 7 p.m., NBC). The show's producers spent months in Jackson, Miss., asking city officials, students, teachers, counselors and journalists about the root causes of poverty there, including lost jobs, racism, a pervasive and degrading hip-hop culture and the breakdown of the black family.



Tom Brokaw tries to get to the source of poverty in Jackson, Mississippi.

CULT CHOICE German director Werner Herzog meditates on the life and death of an eccentric naturalist in the Alaskan wild in the 2005 documentary **GRIZZLY MAN** (Sun., 8 p.m., Discovery). **KEVIN MCDONOUGH** (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

7:21.06	6:00 PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30			
LOCAL CHANNELS	WRC [4]	News [CC]		NBC Nightly News	Access Hollywood	Dateline NBC [CC]	Las Vegas "Mothwoman" [CC]		Law & Order "America, Inc." [CC]		News [CC]	Tonight Show			
	WTTG [5]	Seinfeld [CC]	The Simpsons [CC]	The Simpsons [CC]	Seinfeld [CC]	24 [CC] (PA) [CC]	24 [CC] (PA) [CC]		News		Geraldo at Large	King of the Hill [CC]			
	WJLA [7]	News [CC]	ABC Wld News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	America's Funniest Home Videos [CC]			20/20 [CC]		News [CC]	(35) Nightline			
	WUSA [9]	News [CC]	CBS News	9News Tonight	Entertainment	NCIS "Jeopardy" (iTV) [CC]			The Unit "Dedication" [CC]		NUMB3RS "All's Fair" (iTV) [CC]	News [CC]	Late Show		
	WDCA [20]	King of the Hill [CC]	That '70s Show	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Washington Nationals. From RFK Stadium in Washington, D.C. (Live)						That '70s Show		Every-Raymond	The Tyra Banks Show (N) [CC]		
	WMPT [22]	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Business Rpt.	State Circle	Washington Week	NOW (N) [CC]		Bill Moyers on Faith & Reason (N)		Mystery! [CC] (DVS)		Soundstage (N) [CC]		
	WETA [26]	BBC World News		Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Washington Week	Inside Wash.		NOW (N) [CC]	Bill Moyers on Faith & Reason (N)		Mystery! (N) [CC] (DVS)	Legends of Jaz	
	WHUT [32]	White House	Tavis Smiley [CC]	BBC World News	Moneywise	Evening Exch	To the Contrary		History Detectives [CC]		BBC World News	Tavis Smiley [CC]	Charlie Rose (N) [CC]	Sex and the City	
	WDCW [50]	My Wife and Kids	Bernie Mac	My Wife and Kids	Bernie Mac	What I Like	Twins [CC]		Reba [CC]		Living With Fran	Friends [CC]	Friends [CC]	Sex and the City	Sex and the City
BASIC CABLE	A&E	Cold Case Files [CC]		Crossing Jordan "Death Goes On" [CC]		Biography "Traci Lords" [CC]		Biography "Anna Nicole Smith" (N)		Cleavage Mankind's fascination with breasts. [CC]					
	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries [CC]		Ultimate Dog Championships		Meerkat Manor		Animal Videos		The Planet's Funniest Animals [CC]		Animal Cops Houston (N)		Ultimate Dog Championships	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live Big Boi; Sleepy Brown. (N)		Access Granted		"Love Chronicles" (2003) Monica Calhoun, Robin Givens. Premiere. [CC]				Hottest Bodies [CC]		Jamie Foxx		Jamie Foxx	
	Bravo	(5:30) America's Got Talent [CC]		Inside the Actors Studio "Dave Chappelle" Dave Chappelle. [CC]				The 100 Funniest Movies [CC]		The 100 Funniest Movies [CC]		The 100 Funniest Movies [CC]			
	Comedy	★ "Drive Me Crazy" (1999, Comedy) Melissa Joan Hart, Adrian Grenier. [CC]				Daily Show		Colbert Report		Com.-Presents		Ron White: They Call Me Tater Salad [CC]		Live at Gotham (N) [CC]	
	Court	Hollywood Heat		Masterminds		Cops [CC]		Cops [CC]		Video Justice		Forensic Files		Forensic Files	
	Discovery	How It's Made		How It's Made		Mt. Everest: Death Mountain [CC]		Extreme Engineering [CC]		Dirty Jobs "Geoduck Farmer"		Survivorman [CC]		Mt. Everest: Death Mountain [CC]	
	DISCH	Paramedics "Portland Pioneers"		Trauma: Life in the ER "Aloha Spirits"		Dr. G: Medical Examiner [CC]		Dr. G: Medical Examiner (N) [CC]		Skeleton Stories (N)		Trauma: Life in the ER [CC]			
	Disney	Hannah Montana	Hannah Montana	Hannah Montana	Hannah Montana	"Read It and Weep" (2006) Kay Panabaker. Premiere. [CC]		Hannah Montana		Hannah Montana	Hannah Montana	Zack & Cody	That's So Raven		
	E!	Revenge-Geeks	Hollywood Sins	E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	Sexiest "Latin Lovers" Latin celebs.		Simple Life		Simple Life		The Soup (N)	Dating Show	E! News	The Daily 10
	FX	King of the Hill [CC]	King of the Hill [CC]	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Rescue Me "Satisfaction"	
	HGTV	Renovation	If Walls Could	Offbeat America	House Hunters	Hot Grills Cool Patios 2006		Dream Cars 2006		House Hunters		House Hunters	House Hunters	My First Place (N)	I Want That!
	Family	7th Heaven "Just You Wait and See"		7th Heaven "Sin..." [CC]		Whose Line?		Whose Line?		Whose Line?		Whose Line?		The 700 Club [CC]	
	History	The Big Build "Viking Longboat"		Modern Marvels: Silver Mines [CC]		Sharp Shooters Gunslingers. (N) [CC]		Mountain Roads [CC]		4x4 [CC]					
	Lifetime	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	★★ "Painful Secrets" (2000, Drama) Sean Young, Kimberlee Peterson. [CC]				"A Job to Kill For" (2006, Suspense) Sean Young. [CC]		Will & Grace [CC]		Will & Grace [CC]			
	MTV	The Hills [CC]	The Hills [CC]	True Life Young soldiers return home.		MTV News (N) [CC]		Pimp My Ride [CC]		Pimp My Ride [CC]	Pimp My Ride [CC]	Celebrity Death	Where My Dog	Final Fu [CC]	All That Rocks
	NICK	Ned's School	Danny Phantom	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius		The Fairly OddParents "Fairy Idol" [CC]		Full House [CC]		(35) Full House		(10) Full House	(45) Full House
	SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 True Science [CC]		Eureka "Pilot" [CC]		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]		Stargate SG-1 "Morpheus" Ill planet.		Stargate Atlantis Wraith prisoners. (N)		Stargate SG-1 "Morpheus" Ill planet.	
	SPIKE	World's Wildest Police Videos [CC]		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]		The Shield "Mum" [CC]		Disorderly Conduct: Video on Patrol					
	TBS	Seinfeld [CC]	Seinfeld [CC]	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Friends [CC]	Friends [CC]	★★★ "Something's Gotta Give" (2003) Jack Nicholson, Diane Keaton. Premiere. [CC]				★★ Angel Eyes			
TLC	While You Were Out [CC]		What Not to Wear "Maria" [CC]		Take Home Chef		Take Home Chef		What Not to Wear "Lynn" [CC]		What Not to Wear "Elaine R." [CC]		Take Home Chef	Take Home Chef	
TNT	Golf: British Open		Without a Trace "The Season" [CC]		Without a Trace "Bait" [CC]		Without a Trace "In the Dark" [CC]		Without a Trace "Malone v. Malone"		★★★★ "In the Line of Fire" (1993)				
USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent [CC]		Law & Order: Criminal Intent [CC]		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit [CC]		Monk "Mr. Monk and the Big Game"		(01) Psych (N) [CC]		House "Three Stories" [CC]				
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SPORTS	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) [CC]			NFL Live [CC]		2006 World Series of Poker [CC]		2006 World Series of Poker [CC]		Baseball Tonight (Live)		SportsCenter (Live) [CC]		
	ESPN2	Mike and Mike	Around the Horn	The Contender		The Contender		Boxing Friday Night Fights. (Live) [CC]		Quite Frankly With Stephen A. Smith					
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	MSNBC	Tucker		Hardball [CC]		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		MSNBC Investigates		MSNBC Investigates		Headliners & Legends			
MOVIES	AMC	★★★★ "First Blood" (1982, Action) Sylvester Stallone. 'R' [CC]				★★★★ "A Nightmare on Elm Street" (1984) John Saxon.		(:45) ★ "Species II" (1998, Science Fiction) Michael Madsen. 'R' [CC]		Nightmare-Elm					
	TCM	This Could Be				★★ "One More Tomorrow" (1946) Ann Sheridan. 'NR'		★★ "The Clairvoyant" (1935) Claude Rains. 'NR'		★★ "Kind Lady" (1951) Ethel Barrymore. 'NR' [CC]		★★★★ "The 39 Steps" (1935) 'NR'			
	HBO	(5:45) ★ "Speed 2: Cruise Control" (1997) Sandra Bullock. [CC] 'PG-13' [CC]				Deadwood "Full Faith and Credit" [CC]		Deadwood "A Two-Headed Beast" [CC]		Deadwood "A Rich Find" [CC]		Lucky Louie [CC]			
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	TMC	(:15) ★★ "The Secret Lives of Dentists" (2002) Campbell Scott. 'R' [CC]				★★ "Payback" (1999, Action) Mel Gibson. [CC] 'R' [CC]		(:45) "Strike Force" (2004, Action) William Forsythe, Erika Eleniak. [CC] 'R' [CC]							
STARZ!	(5:40) ★★ "Dog Park" (1998) Natasha Henstridge. [CC] 'R' [CC]				"Don't Be a Menace to South Central While Drinking"		★ "Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo" (2005) [CC] 'R' [CC]		★★ "The Cave" (2005) Cole Hauser. [CC] 'PG-13' [CC]						
ENCORE	(5:50) ★★ "Pretty Woman" (1990) Richard Gere, Julia Roberts. [CC] 'R' [CC]				★★★★ "Copycat" (1995, Suspense) Sigourney Weaver. [CC] 'R' [CC]		(:05) ★★ "Hellboy" (2004, Fantasy) Ron Perlman. [CC] 'PG-13' [CC]								

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"We still do it, but there's only about four parks that are represented now," he said. "Of the 15, almost all those have either gone out of business or been eaten by Six Flags."

Six Flags Inc. built an empire by snapping up facilities across the country in the 1990s. Now the New York-based company, struggling with debt and sagging attendance, is looking to sell some of the 30 amusement and water parks it owns.

Some small parks that remain in

“The family-owned parks were always the backbone of our industry. ... They have been here and they will continue to be here.”

GARY SLADE
AMUSEMENT TODAY

family hands, meanwhile, are surviving and even prospering, largely because their owners are closely attuned to the interests of their customers, industry insiders say.

They also tend to have shorter lines, more reasonable ticket prices and friendly, long-term relationships with local people who visit repeatedly — unlike tourists who make one-off trips to major theme parks, they say.

"The family-owned parks were always the backbone of our industry," said Gary Slade, editor of the Arlington, Texas-based trade publication Amusement Today. "Do we have less numbers? Yes, but are they going away? No, they have been here and they will continue to be here."

He said family-owned parks will likely carry on as long as they con-

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How much is a date with Jess?
\$30,000 | **42**



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FAMILY AFFAIR: Andy Quinn, right, rides a roller coaster with his son, Ryan.

IAAPA spokeswoman.

"Oftentimes their lines are shorter, and often our smaller parks focus on family entertainment at reasonable prices," she said.

Rob Norris, chairman of Seabreeze Park in Rochester, N.Y., said small-park owners who operate their businesses can make decisions quickly and are very in tune with customers.

"The family-owned parks I know of are doing very well financially," said Norris, whose family has owned Seabreeze for 102 years.

Nestled in a wooded area outside Pittsburgh, Kennywood has all the quaint trappings of an old-time amusement park, with a carousel ringed with wooden horses, a shoot-

Little Screammers

tinue to invest in their facilities.

Amusement parks first sprang up in the 19th century on the East Coast, with facilities built at the end of trolley lines, and evolved in the 1950s with the introduction of large, fantasy-based theme parks pioneered by Walt Disney.

"We still have a number of family parks in the U.S., but the numbers are not as strong as they were 10 years ago," said Slade, noting that some parks had been bought or sold to property developers while others closed for lack of family members

to take over the business, among other reasons.

Nearly 75 percent of the 320 amusement and theme parks in the United States draw less than half-a-million people annually — a category that includes family-owned facilities, according to the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions, a trade group.

Small parks continue to appeal to customers because they create a "more intimate experience for visitors," said Beth Robertson, an

ing gallery and a penny arcade.

But the park has changed with the times by introducing new rides such as the SwingShot, a giant pendulum-like ride that catapults seated riders high into the air, said Quinn, a 35-year veteran of the business.

"We bring a sense of history to the industry, and we make sure and we remind them that the industry just didn't start when Disney started or just didn't start when Six Flags started," he said.

DANIEL LOVERING (AP)

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Positions on the Pledge

OATHS | The House of Representatives on Wednesday approved a bill that would bar courts from altering the Pledge of Allegiance, including the phrase “under God,” which was the subject of several court rulings over the past few years. Our Poll Center question, “Should ‘under God’ remain in the Pledge of Allegiance?,” drew a number of comments from readers.

“By putting these words into the Pledge of Allegiance, religious Americans are telling people who do not believe in God, or who have a religious belief system other than monotheism, that we are not going to be allowed to pledge allegiance to this country,” commenter **CHUCK FLIPPO** wrote. “In essence, we are

not welcome as citizens. So much for separation of church and state.”

Countered commenter **MICHAEL HRONICK**, “‘Catholic’ is a religion (aka ‘church’), ‘Jewish’ is a religion, ‘Islam’ is a religion ... you get the point. ‘God’ is not a religion/church. ... Nowhere in the Constitution is it implied (quite the opposite, in fact) that God should be excluded from the public forum no matter what your term for a higher guiding force might be.”

An Urbana Experience

Express’ **MICHAEL GRASS** made a stop by the opening party for **URBANA**, the basement restaurant at the new **HOTEL PALOMAR** in Dupont Circle, Wednesday night. Among



PLEDGE DEBATE: Commenters were divided on whether to keep “under God.”

his observations: “It’s hard to judge a restaurant by the food distributed at its opening party, but here are some thoughts. We sampled a number of appetizers: Figs found their way into two dishes we tasted and were something that weren’t expected. The corn-battered figs, filled with Gorgonzola and balsamic syrup, were certainly tasty, but some

commented that the batter was a bit overpowering; additionally, the fig prosciutto and Gorgonzola pizza was a welcome variation on what can be a worn-out pizza combo.”

→ Coming up today

Where has the Meat Puppets’ Curt Kirkwood been since 1994? Find out in a Q&A session.

? Poll Center

TODAY’S QUESTION

What is the state of racism in America?

1. Worse than ever
2. Same as always
3. Present, but waning
4. Nonexistent

YESTERDAY’S RESULTS

Should “under God” remain in the Pledge of Allegiance?



As of 6:30 p.m. Thursday. Not a scientific poll

WEIGH IN ON TODAY’S QUESTION AND SEE HOW YOUR METRO STATION VOTED AT READEXPRESS.COM/POLLCENTER.PHP



“We pretty much knew we were winning ... as we realized that the judge didn’t mention September 11th within the first paragraph.”

BARZELAY.NET, A LEGAL INTERN WITH THE ELECTRONIC FRONTIER FOUNDATION, CELEBRATED A JUDGE’S REJECTION OF AT&T’S MOVE TO HAVE THE FOUNDATION’S SUIT AGAINST IT DISMISSED.

And They Got Peanuts!

“Why shouldn’t these people have to pay? We’re a capitalistic nation, aren’t we? Why do these people expect a free ride? ... My only hope is that we’re not just breaking even on this evacuation, but actually turning a profit.”

THEDCUNIVERSE.BLOGSPOT.COM DOESN’T WANT HIS TAX MONEY TO COVER FREE AIRFARE FOR U.S. VACATIONERS IN LEBANON.

Thanks to Honest Abe

“I don’t understand putting that much money into watching guys run around in logoed laundry; ... it makes you appreciate Abe Pollin for putting up his own money to build the Verizon Center.”

URBANPLACESANDSPACES.BLOGSPOT.COM IS GLAD D.C. DIDN’T HAVE TO FUND AN NBA ARENA LIKE SACRAMENTO LIKELY WILL.



Please Stop Caring

“Obviously, the guy hasn’t had it easy. His parents are nuts, he was Michael Jackson’s ‘Doo-Doo Head’ and (he) got caught (with) marijuana last year, among other things. Anyway, I guess what I’m wondering is, when will folks cut this fella a break?”

SOURNSWEET.COM WISHES THE MEDIA WOULD QUIT BOTHERING MACAULAY CULKIN, WHO JUST ESCAPED THE WAR IN ISRAEL.

Or You Could Just Not Bomb Them

“Why, Israel, do you give people warnings to flee when you will target them anyway? Are you going to do the same tomorrow to all of southern Lebanon? Is this part of your psychological war against innocent civilians?”

MYOCCUPATION.BLOGSPOT.COM WONDERS IF ISRAEL’S TELLING LEBANESE RESIDENTS TO FLEE INCOMING ATTACKS ISN’T DOING THOSE INNOCENT CITIZENS MORE HARM THAN GOOD.



Live Online

Celebrity Deaths

Entertainment industry journalist **MITCHELL FINK** was online Thursday at washingtonpost.com to discuss his new book, “The Last Days of Dead Celebrities.”

Why are people so interested in the lives — and deaths — of celebrities?

Knowing they have problems makes the rest of us feel better about ourselves.

Do you believe there is such a thing as a dignified death, and, if so, what would that be?

I believe Orson Welles’ death — suffering a heart attack while writing a script on a typewriter that’s balanced on his stomach — is about as dignified as it gets.

How much of dealing with Tupac’s final days involved wading through conspiracy theories?

The conspiracy theories never interested me. I was much more interested in how his mother let him go, and the fact that everyone

close to Tupac who came forward to the police is dead, and everyone who did not is still alive. You do the math.

Did Yoko Ono really sense something was wrong the night her husband, John Lennon, was killed?

She didn’t say that she sensed that something was wrong, but she definitely sensed something. She was careful to say that she didn’t think it was even ominous, but she did feel like the air around them had accelerated.

Does your book include the last hours of John Belushi, an actor whose last days have been the subject of much discussion and controversy?

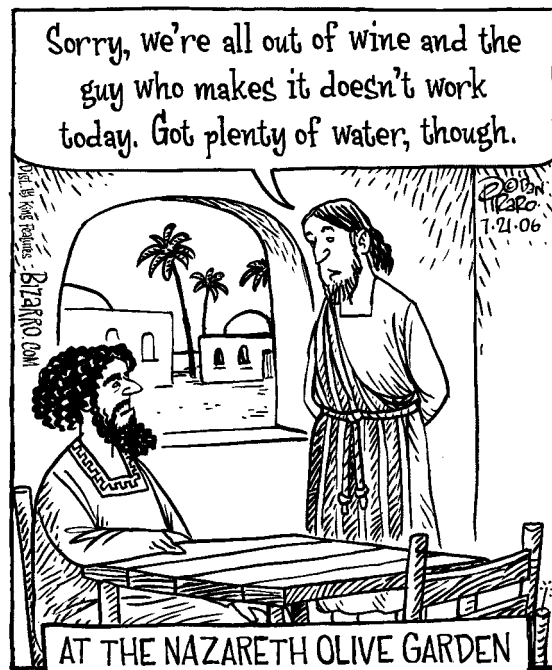
I tried to approach the Belushi chapter from the point of view of the two closest people in his life — his wife, Judy, and his best friend and partner, Dan Aykroyd. Both were in New York at the time of Belushi’s death. They knew what he was doing in L.A., and I felt it was important to tap into their frustration and subsequent guilt over their not being able to help save him from himself.

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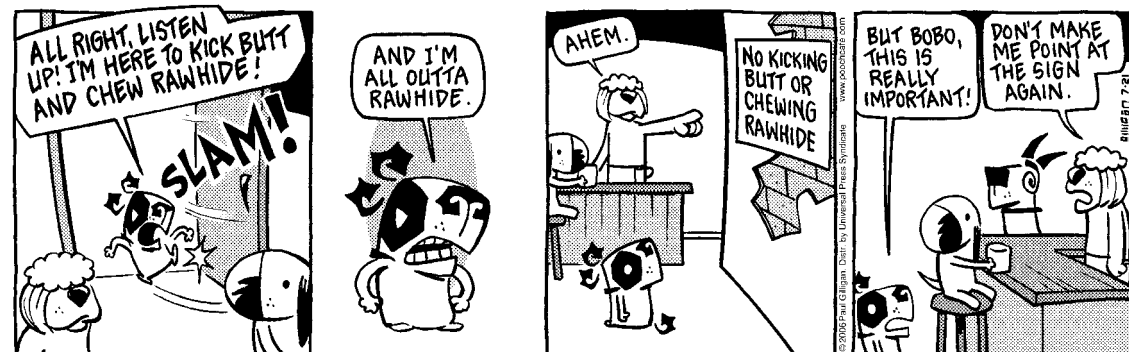
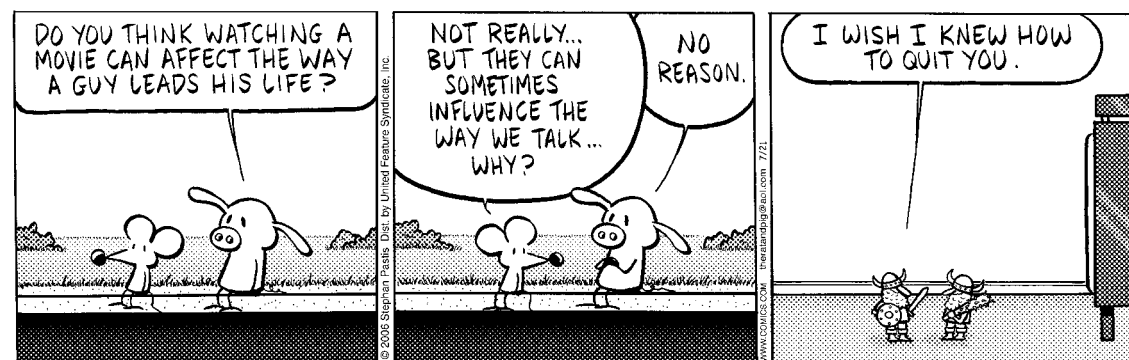
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TODAY ON LIVE ONLINE: Nick Pelham, senior analyst for the International Crisis Group, discusses the Mideast fighting at 11 a.m. | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Bizarro | Dan Piraro

Cornered | Mike Baldwin


"That \$20 deduction is for new benefits - like the \$10 raise you just got."

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan

Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy


Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You'll be surprised to learn how quickly things can change—even without your influence. Stand back and watch, and events can prove remarkable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Ask questions, and you'll receive the answers you need tomorrow. Still, how you use the information is most important to you right now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone may give you an ultimatum before the day is out, but there is much you can do to see that the situation comes out in a way that suits you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You'll be surprised to learn just what someone else has been doing to affect you in a seemingly mysterious way. Remember, it's all in fun.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You will want to highlight all that is positive. In this way, negative influences can be erased—or at least minimized.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) That

which is not intimately known to you may prove intimidating to think about, but the fact is, experience can yield a relaxing confidence.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're in the mood for something far more satisfying than you've enjoyed in a while. Following an unusual path can win you results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You may be able to maintain the best of all possible moods, even while things fall apart around you. Remember, perception is everything.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Don't spend so much time trying to get things just right that you're unable to get everything done.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You must employ a good deal of willpower to arrange affairs to your own satisfaction. Avoid being overly aggressive, however.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do what you can to promote harmony in all things—particularly when family members are involved in a business proposition.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is a good day for going about your business entirely on your own. The need for assistance is remote, and you're in the mood for a challenge.

Letters

Bad Image of Evacuation

I DON'T OFTEN COMPLAIN about image choices in the newspaper, but the picture used in the article "U.S. Steps Up Lebanon Evacuation" (July 20) made me cringe. It looked like a dinner party more than an evacuation, with suited servers handing out drinks on cloth-covered trays. While Lebanon is getting flattened, these people get served like guests at a gala! The picture seems to show another case of the "ugly American" stereotype—spoiled, clueless, and

arrogant Americans getting what they want no matter what. I much prefer the pictures showing the airlift by helicopter. Those people at least looked upset, tired and possibly in peril.

—LISA PUGH
Silver Spring, Md.

Corrections:

Thursday's poll question results incorrectly stated that 87 percent of respondents said the federal government should not fund stem cell research. In fact, 87 percent said it should fund the research. Also, an item in Thursday's Weekend Pass stated the local group Death by Sexy was a side project of musician Josh Homme's. It is not.

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Today in History

1861 The first Battle of Bull Run was fought at Manassas, Va., resulting in a Confederate victory.

1925 The so-called "Monkey Trial" ended with John T. Scopes convicted of violating state law for teaching Darwin's theory of evolution.

(The conviction was later overturned.)
1949 The U.S. Senate ratified the North Atlantic Treaty.

1969 Apollo 11 astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin blasted off from the moon aboard the lunar module.

1980 Draft registration began in the United States for 19- and 20-year-old men.

LOOK out

People



Sharks are nothing to joke about, Matt.

INAPPROPRIATE

Matthew Names Car After Savage, Man-Killing Beast

MATTHEW MCCONAUGHEY is selling a sports car on eBay to raise money for hurricane relief. The actor, 36, is donating all proceeds from the sale of his 1971 Corvette Stingray convertible to Oprah's Angel Network for Katrina and Rita recovery efforts. McConaughey says he named the car Mako, like the shark. (AP)

MILESTONES

Former Country Star Still Inexplicably Newsworthy



MINDY MCCREADY

was found not guilty Wednesday of driving under the influence in May 2005. After her trial,

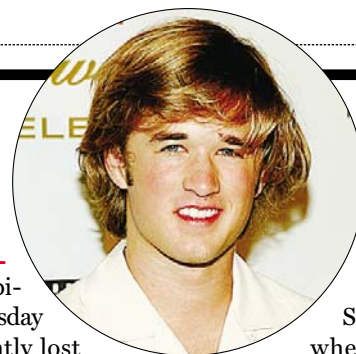
McCready said she felt as though she's turned a corner, and might even write a song. (AP)



RENT-TO-BUY?

Man Leases Biel

A date with **JESSICA BIEL** raised \$30,000 to help a teenager who lost her leg in a prom-night limousine accident. The winning bid came from a man identified only as John. "I'm a senior vice president for an oil and gas company in Denver," the Rocky Mountain News quoted him as saying. The lunch date will happen Aug. 18, when Biel is in town to receive a humanitarian award. (AP)



Man, Haley Joel's eyes are SO small.

OOPS

He Paid It Forward to A Brick Wall

Actor **HALEY JOEL OSMENT** was hospitalized early Thursday after he apparently lost control of his car while heading to his Los Angeles-area home, authorities said. Osment, who was nominated for an Academy Award for his role as a boy who could see

dead people in "The Sixth Sense," was driving a 1995 Saturn about 1 a.m. when the car collided with a brick pillar and flipped, said a Los Angeles County sheriff. The 18-year-old actor was in good condition and expected to make a complete recovery. (AP)

LESSER BALDWIN

He Does His Own Stunts

DANIEL BALDWIN could face reckless-driving charges after he drove a rented Ford Thunderbird at speeds of more than 80 mph through traffic and crashed into two



parked cars, Los Angeles police said. Baldwin was detained for questioning after the crash Wednesday. (AP)

SECRETS

How Stars Really Make Money: Japanese Ads, British Libel Suits

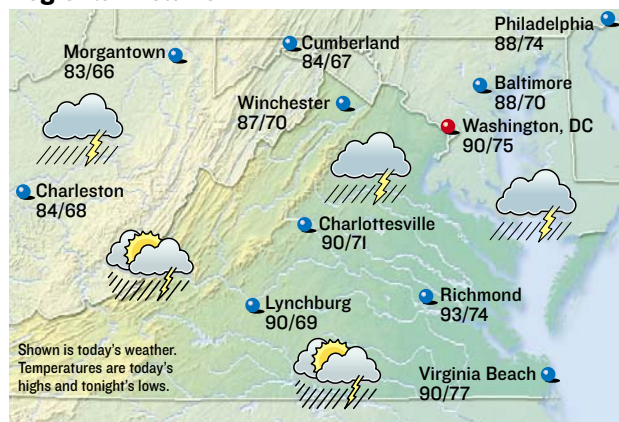
KATE HUDSON has accepted libel damages from a supermarket tabloid that claimed she was dangerously thin, her lawyer said Thursday. The British edition of the National Enquirer has agreed to pay undisclosed damages and print an apology for a 2005 article that claimed Hudson had, in her lawyer's words, "recklessly and foolishly endangered her health" by failing to eat. "The allegations that I sued over were blatantly false," she said. (AP)



5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
A few heavy thunderstorms, humid	A couple of evening thunderstorms	A couple of showers, a thunderstorm	Cloudy, thunderstorms possible	Mostly sunny, seasonably warm	Mostly sunny, seasonably warm
90°	75°	82° / 70°	82° / 68°	88° / 69°	87° / 73°

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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.

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High	89°
Low	74°
Normal high	89°
Normal low	71°
Average humidity	67%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	Trace
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Normal month to date	2.35"
Year to date	28.31"
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Normal year to date	21.51"

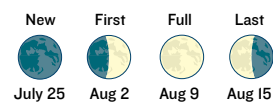
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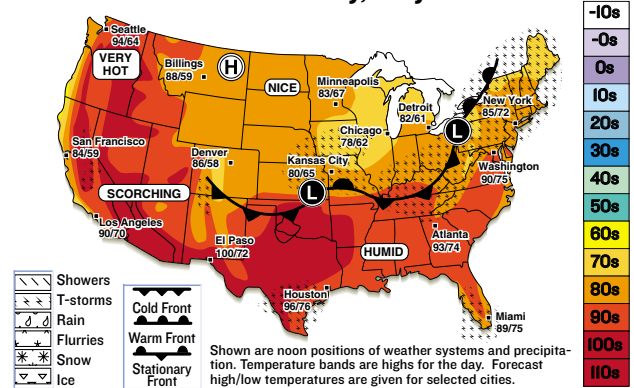
D.C. Metro: Today, variably cloudy, a couple of heavy thunderstorms, very humid. High 90. Wind south-southwest 7-14 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	6:00 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:29 p.m.
Moonrise today	2:14 a.m.
Moonset today	6:09 p.m.



National Weather for Friday, July 21



National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Atlanta	93/74/t	90/69/t
Boston	82/70/r	80/68/t
Chicago	78/62/pc	80/62/pc
Dallas	105/74/s	94/70/pc
Denver	86/58/t	87/61/t
Honolulu	88/74/s	88/75/pc
Los Angeles	90/70/pc	90/70/pc
Miami	89/75/t	89/77/t
New York City	85/72/t	83/68/t
Orlando	90/73/t	90/75/t
Seattle	94/64/s	94/66/s

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Amsterdam	82/70/pc	82/66/sh
Athens	88/70/s	84/67/s
Berlin	88/64/t	81/67/pc
Buenos Aires	61/44/c	58/44/pc
Calgary	86/60/s	86/59/pc
Dublin	70/55/c	66/54/c
Geneva	91/66/t	90/63/pc
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Tokyo	76/73/r	79/73/pc

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Travel In Style

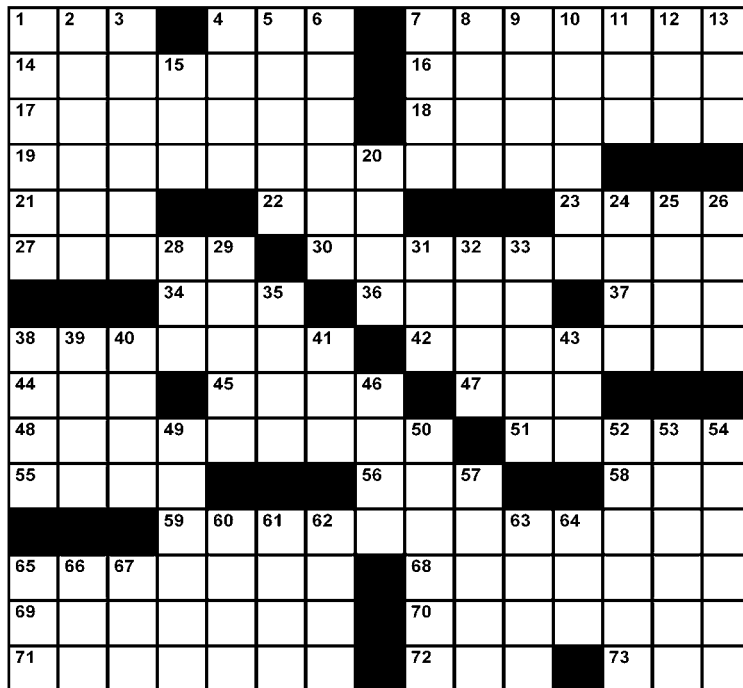
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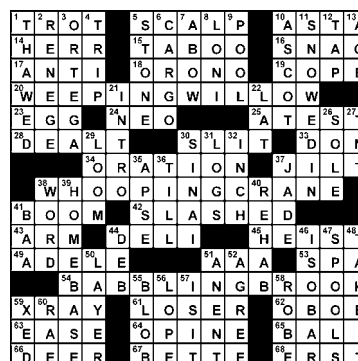
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29 Add up
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41 Rule over India
43 Chi-omega connection
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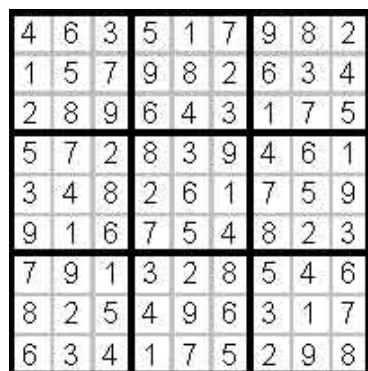


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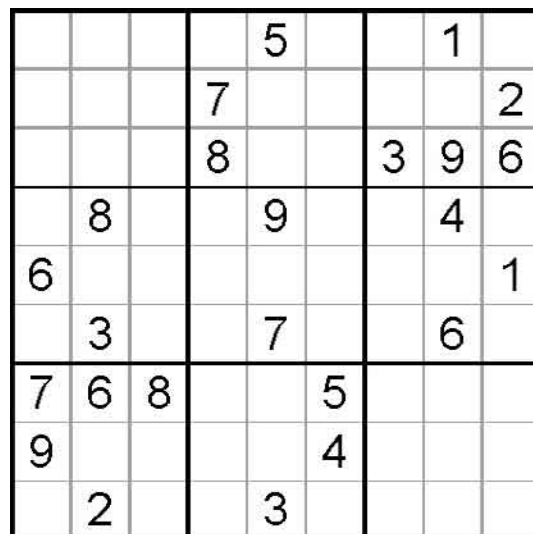
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face^{QA}time

■ **Gripping fans** can complain that Kevin Smith has gone soft since getting married and having a kid, as evidenced in the bombtastic "Jersey Girl" and certain sappy moments of his new flick "Clerks II," which opens today. But through it all, the writer/director has maintained his knack for crafting the ultimate cringe-inducing (yet hilarious) dialogue, and he never grew out of his schlubby-chic fashion sense, either.

How did you develop what Silent Bob would wear?

The coat was something I used to wear, and still wear if it's inclement weather in the 30s or 40s. I've got a weird shape — and by that I mean fat — and I like the way it fits me. I realize it's creepy that I really wear it, but we were shooting and it was cold outside. I also feel like it's kind of slimming. When I put it on, I think I look like I'm 180 pounds, even though I realize I don't.

So it's still that coat?

The same exact coat. And the backwards baseball cap was something I used to wear back in the day. If I wear a baseball cap the right way, I look weird. So I try not to wear the two things at once in public.

What do you think when you see people copying the Silent Bob look?

It's oddly flattering. I understand it. It's people who are into Twinkies, like me.

On the Web site for "Clerks II," people can buy Mooby's Funployee T-shirts. Why would someone want to do that?

I've seen a lot of them. I was just at Wizard World Comic Con and there were legions of people wearing that smock. We designed it to be something no one would ever want to wear. It's totally dehumanizing. I would have one, but they didn't order any in my size. I need to get my clothes custom-made.

And how about beard grooming?

I could get an electric razor, but I prefer to do it with scissors. I do it



CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP

Kevin Smith

WRITER/DIRECTOR/"SILENT BOB"

in a Zen fashion. It can turn into a 45-minute affair because sometimes I'm after only one hair and you're doing it backwards in the reflection of the mirror. There's something oddly soothing about that.

This movie deals with the fear of leaving New Jersey. What do you miss most about Jersey?

Pork roll, egg and cheese.

What is that?

If you go to any diner in Jersey, they have it. But if you go off the East Coast, you can't find it anywhere. It's made with nasty compressed ham and it looks like a big zit. It's similar to an Egg McMuffin, but instead of being on a muffin, it's on a hard roll. And the ham is prob-

I realize it's creepy that I really wear [that black coat], but ... it was cold outside.

ably made from the worst part of the pig. Me and Jason Mewes [who plays his partner, Jay] were raised on them, so it's the first thing we eat when we get back.

Do you do anything else when you're home?

I drop by the places I spent my youth. My high school. They just shuttered my elementary school. I walk down memory lane.

Some people criticized "Jersey Girl" for being too sentimental, and now "Clerks II" is kind of touching, too. How do you think the fans will handle that?

You can be as sentimental as you want, as long as there's also a donkey show. VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)

IN THE POST TODAY



Fun at the Fringe

Discover a few of the performances you won't want to miss at the Capital Fringe Festival, a 10-day celebration of the quirky, offbeat and unusual. In the Weekend section.

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The Washington Post



1 Dazzle in Drizzle

WHEN HOUSEGUESTS INSIST ON prowling the monuments even after Tom Keirein has forecast showers, shove 'em out the door with the Metrorella (\$24, Home Rule, 1807 14th St. NW; 202-797-5544, or online at dcmetrostore.com), which shields its owner from raindrops with a ginormous Metro map (fortified with local landmarks and highways). Of course, to read it and find their way back to your place, they'll need to scan the map backwards, so they may get lost anyway. But at least they'll be dry.

Grab Bag

3 House Colorful

DESIGNER WENLAN CHIA has sold lots of bird-print dresses and chunky knits via her Twinkle by Wenlan women's clothing line. Now, the Asian-influenced up-and-comer debuts Twinkle Living (twinkleliving.com), a line of carpets, bedding and pillows exhibiting her trademark blend of whimsical patterns and worldly hues. Our faves: ikat pillows in gray and red cotton (\$68) and a rug shaped like Chia's pet bulldog, Milan.



4 Liquid Lasering

DR. BRANDT'S LASER IN A BOTTLE (\$100, Sephora) is not what we were hoping for: an FDA-approved home lasering system. It is, rather, a series of three liquids that burn off yucky dead skin cells. If a spa chemical peel is an industrial-strength stove, this is an Easy Bake Oven. But that's OK — the relatively gentle cocktail of lactic and glycolic acids smoothed pores and lines and, as a bonus, smelled really bad, which let our wrinkles know that Dr. Brandt means business.



dear manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOEBLOGGER

Black boots or brown boots this fall? —JEN

■ Manolo says, yes it is the middle of the stinking hot July, but already for many of the months the Manolo has been thinking about the shoe trends for the autumn of the 2006.

At the very front of the Manolo's thinking parts are the words "dark" and "baroque." The Manolo believes that this fall we shall be wearing the shoes and boots in the deeper colors, and that there will be the certain baroque dramatic complexity to those shoes and boots. Look especially for



the sculptural heels and perhaps the embroidered and braided materials with the dark ornamentation.

Of the course, the Manolo would also point out to his friends, all the trends aside, that the black boot it is one of the necessary items in any super-fantastic girl's inventory. You must own the pair, as nothing can take their place in certain important situations, such as when you wish to dump your latest no-good boyfriend.

Here is something new from the Mikala that has captured the Manolo's attention: the handsome boot that perfectly expresses the seasonal trends (\$402, zappos.com).

@ Ask the Manolo a question at manolo@shoeblogs.com. Visit the Manolo at shoeblogs.com.

ON THE COVER

Express Top Model Dana wears Marc Jacobs' Veronica voile halter dress (\$298, Saks Fifth Avenue). Styling by Lauretta McCoy. Photo by Michelle Repiso.

2 How to Marc Time

MARC JACOBITES NEED NEVER BE LATE for a fashion show (or a Neiman's last-call sale) again. The playful dress and shoe king just introduced a line of watches for his lower-priced Marc by Marc Jacobs line. Quirky-yet-cool timepieces range from Lucky Charms-like necklaces, shown, to military-influenced styles for him. Priced at \$150 to \$300, they're little chunks of designer goodness for a relatively good price. Find 'em at area Nordstrom and Bloomingdale's stores.



5 Screen Testing

PENCIL AND NEWSPRINT is obviously superior to techy gadgets for sudoku solving, but the new Sudoku Mega Screen (\$20, sudokumegascreen.com) is at least big enough to let you see the gosh-darned numbers. And it's still conveniently purse-sized.



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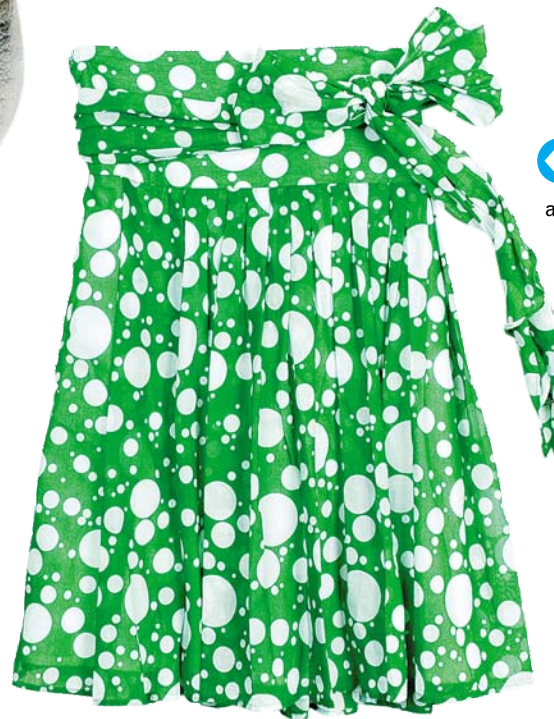


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↑ Sigerson Morrison punches out some polka with these leather flats. (\$225, SASSANOVA, 1641 WISCONSIN AVE. NW; 202-471-4400)



← Zara's flirty skirt is swingy, light and a nifty match for white heels and a blazer. Check out the other dotty duds the store offers, like wrap dresses and ruffled blouses. (\$69, 1234-1244 WISCONSIN AVE. NW; 202-944-9797)

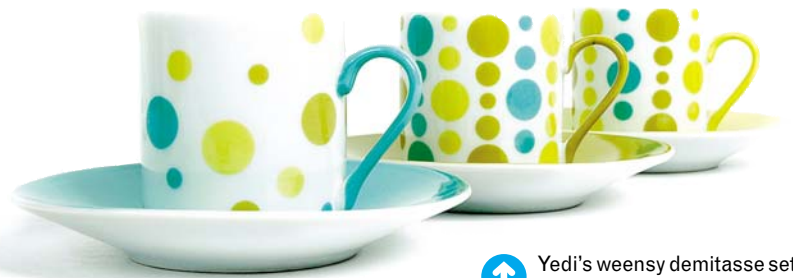
Connect With Dots



↑ Cole River's lacquer platter, inlaid with mother of pearl, is but one bit of dottery among a rainbow of spotted wares at American Studio+. (\$110, 2906 M ST. NW; 202-965-3273)

↓ Putting makeup on in a vanity chair this spotty will make any gal feel like a retro movie star. Be a film-noir vamp in black-and-white, or go quirky indie in purple and lime. (EIGHT COLORS, \$180, TARGET.COM)

Sure, Minnie Mouse may have worn them religiously, and their name was inspired by a style of accordion music. But polka dots can be surprisingly grown-up. The flirtatious spots pop up in sophisticated and unexpected places: serving platters, shoes, even bedding. Don't take them too seriously, though. With a ruffle here and some bold color there, dots seem ready to be worn — where else? — dancing. MAURA JUDKIS



↑ Yedi's weensy demitasse set would make a great wedding gift, says Proper Topper co-manager Elizabeth Sawyer. (\$34, 3213 P ST. NW; 202-333-6200)



← With summer temps still rising, it's not too late for new sandals — especially ones decked in rhinestones and you-know-whats, like these Rada thongs. (\$159, HU'S SHOES, 3005 M ST. NW; 202-342-0202)

↓ Sheep are passé. Lull yourself to sleep by counting the circles on your duvet. (ALSO IN BROWN, 320 THREADCOUNT, \$190 FOR SHEETS, \$230 FOR DUVET AND SHAMS, DWELLSHOP.COM)



← These Paper Source books can hold photos and memories of all of your dotty friends and family. (\$16-\$30, SEE PAPER-SOURCE.COM FOR STORES)



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A SPINOFF OF RALPH LAUREN, Rugby makes its D.C.-area debut with clothes that bring an edge to the American Eagle set. An adjoining cafe offers breakfast, smoothies and burgers in a vaguely pub-like atmosphere, along with appearances by bands and authors.

■ **Style:** The interior of the store is done in a style best called "Seth Cohen's Closet Exploded." The sartorial assault on the senses — there are clothes everywhere — can be a bit disorienting. The first of the three rooms houses men's casual wear — mainly piles of rugby shirts (\$68) that can be customized with patches (\$8-\$24; sewing is free for a limited time). There are also beachy linen jackets (\$200-\$250) and a variety of shorts. The pink pairs with the skull pattern (a common theme at Rugby) are for particularly stylish, or brave, men.

As you wander back, the store lightens, going from dark to light wood, and you enter the women's section. Dresses are the standouts here. A full-skirted, embroidered linen sundress (\$120) blends yacht-club formality with youthful fun, while a strapless denim dress with a mermaid tail (\$88) is curve-hugging and sexy.



Popped collars, skulls and patches rule Rugby's clutter-goes-cool store displays.

Both men's and women's styles sport details — frayed collars, paint-spatter patterns — that prevent the store from drowning in prep. Those over 25, however, might have trouble finding age-appropriate garb, as the target demographic is clearly undergrads. But there are elements that incorporate trends

more subtly: A corset-style top with tiny skulls on it (\$98) seems grown-up enough for a night of over-21 drinks. Shorts tend to be very short, and cuts are equally slim. And if you're above a size 10, the selection is small.

■ **Service:** Rugby employees dress exactly like Rugby shoppers, which is slightly confusing. Other than

that, service is friendly without being pushy; though I wasn't greeted, I did get a dressing room quickly. Staffers are quite eager to check on extra sizes, and are pleasant on the phone. It's a pleasure to find such engaged service in an area saturated with standoffish salesclerks.

Details like frayed collars keep the store from drowning in prep.

■ **Price:** There's a monster summer sale going on now, with prices reduced 30 to 50 percent. Shorts are \$35 instead of \$70; sweaters are \$60 instead of \$80. Still, much cheaper than a designer boutique.

■ **Bonus Points:** Dressing rooms lurk all over the store, so you won't have to trip over people waiting for their friends.

■ **Bureaucracy:** Return within 30 days with receipt for store credit.

■ **Bottom Line:** A limited sense of style means Rugby isn't one-size-fits-all, but cheerful service and preppy-with-a-twist looks means it could be a step up for the Abercrombie crowd.

possession obsession



THE POSSESSION: Sidekick 3
THE OWNER: Alana Beard, Washington Mystics guard

A Little Friend

■ Unless you have a calculator or a slide rule, it would be extremely difficult to estimate how many hours Alana Beard spends on the road. The Mystics play two to three games per week during



their season, which runs from May to August. "If we have a Tuesday game, we leave Monday and come back Wednesday,

so there's three days right there," she said. So when Beard says she's never home, she's not exaggerating.

The long hours on the road explain her T-Mobile Sidekick obsession. She's owned one of the all-in-one phones for about four years, and recently upgraded to the 3. "I'm not really a phone person — I'll do anything to avoid the phone," said Beard, making texting, e-mailing and instant messaging her preferred forms of electronic communication. But the off-season, when she plays in South Korea, is a problem: "It doesn't work in Korea, so that's where I have my huge withdrawals." CAROLYN STEEVES (EXPRESS)

what we bought



1. Barney-purple roll-on by Diane von Furstenburg is a major bargain. (\$80, Filene's Basement, 1133 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-872-8430) | **2. Milgrain men's wedding ring** is platinum for the savvy groom. (\$1,150, Tiffany) | **3. Zebra-print shoes** by Jeffrey Campbell will help you flee lions. (\$68, ShoeFly, 2618 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-243-6490) | **4. Pink seal men's T-shirt** will reel in the ladies. (\$20, Urban Outfitters)

event horizon

Jerk chicken and Virginia vlognier, anyone? At Breaux Vineyards' Key West Fest, reggae bands and island food transport vino-heads to Parrothead country. \$10, July 22, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., 36888 Breaux Vineyards Lane, Purcellville; 540-668-6299; breauxvineyards.com

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← Woven in Vietnam, these rush cushions with satin edging look swell pulled around a low coffeetable. (\$29, **ARISE, 5114 ROANOKE PLACE, COLLEGE PARK; 301-486-1230**)

→ Make your tiki party extra cheeky by popping up these colorful, ray-blocking umbrellas with hula-girly raffia trim. (\$45, **PACESTRADINGCOMPANY.COM**)



Straw Pull



↑ If F. Scott and Zelda still romped on the Riviera, they might sip drinks from something breezy and easy like this glass-inside, grass-outside thermos. (\$45, **WORLD MARKET**)

Folks living in palm-frond huts in Thailand or toting raffia bags to Provençal markets know nothing feels (or looks) cooler in the heat than straw. "It's crisp, clean and seems cheery no matter what the weather," said Katharine Ordway, owner of beachy boutique Maggie and Lola. This summer, there's also splendor in grassy home decor from tableware to cushions. "Straw can be primitive and organic, yet modern," said Go Mama Go!'s Noi Chudnoff.

JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)



↑ "Straw bags can be preppy or contemporary-minimalist," said Katharine Ordway, who sells Putu's tote at her Capitol Hill shop. (**MAGGIE AND LOLA, 1013 E ST. NW; 202-234-2852; MAGGIEANDLOLA.COM**)

↑ Women in the Philippines used jelly bean-bright fibers to make this summery table runner, which also comes in a yellow/pink version. (**GO MAMA GO!, 1809 14TH ST. NW; 202-299-0850; GOMAMAGO.COM**)

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TELEVISION

Project Rip-Off

Ten talented (or at least made-for-the-tube-quirky) people gather in NYC to pit their design skills against each other's in Reality TV Land. Nah, it's not "Project Runway," but "HGTV Design Star," a shameless copycat debuting July 23 at 9 p.m. on the decor-mad channel. Some designers seem skilled ("glam-i-listic" Vanessa De Leon), but host Clive "Designed to Sell" Pearse inadvertently sums up the program's lack of appeal in episode one, when he says: "I was expecting a showhouse ... this is a no-house." J.B.

BOOKS

In Mod We Lust



Chairs shaped like ponies. Toile depicting London muggers. A combo microwave/TV/DVD player. You'd have to troll a million shops or spend weeks

Zapruder decor blogs to find all the ultra-mod home items in "1000 New Designs and Where to Find Them" (\$30, Laurence King). Too bad so many products are only sold in Europe! J.B.

peeves of the pros

PLEASE STOP: Not Seeing the Lights

"People go to great extents to select paint and furniture, but forget to plan a way to light" their homes, said John Seward of Illuminations (202-783-4888, see illuminc.com for locations), a business that's been shedding light on the city for 20-plus years. "In D.C., everyone works so much, we only enjoy our homes in the evening." Without the generosity of daylight, you'll need more than just a halogen to light a decked-out place. Kitchen lights should be quite different than those for a dining space, for exam-



ple. "People want to use tiny, low-voltage lights, but they create shadows," said Seward. "People think they're cool and sexy, but you need more light for cooking." An easy brightener: under-cabinet lighting. The same approach goes for bathrooms, where you'll need bright rays to shave and beautify. "And never position your fixture above your mirror," he advised. Use two, with one on the left and one on the right. CORY OHLENDORF

event horizon

→ View new works by local art dudes Helvio Faria (haunting images on aluminum) and Joel Traylor III ('woven' paintings) during a wine-filled opening soiree at downtown decor den Vastu. July 27, 6-8 p.m., 1829 14th St. NW; 202-234-8344.

Save Mirrors and Money

Q All of the bathroom mirrors in my house are plate glass, glued to the walls above the vanities. They look kind of motel-like and unfinished, but I don't really feel like ripping them all out, patching the walls, painting and installing new ones. Any suggestions for dressing them up?

There is a fabulous new product that can cure your bathroom blahs and make your existing mirrors look stylish. MirrorMate (866-304-6283, mirrormate.com) sells decorative wood frames, custom-cut to fit your looking glass. Frame styles range from the gilt, ornate Italian "Naples" to the Mission-look-accomplished "Cherokee" in marbled maple. All it takes to install them is a little bit of wood glue to secure the corners. Then you



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(and a pal) can attach the frame to the front of the mirror with mega-strong, already-in-place foam tape.

Assembly and installation takes about 20 minutes, and you don't have to be handy at all. Priced by the inch, the frames generally cost from \$100 to \$200 — a lot cheaper than putting in a new mirror! And get ready to brag about who has the fairest bathroom of them all.

THROUGH A GLASS BRIGHTLY:

MirrorMates' easy-install frames turn loos from boring to bravo in less time than it takes to shave or blow dry locks.

chunk of your utility bill. Adding insulation to walls, roof and ductwork, and sealing gaps and cracks in a home's "envelope" can result in energy savings of 30 to 50 percent. Other ways to conserve bucks and Mother Earth: use ceiling fans to circulate air and thermostat timers to regulate temps during sleeping and working hours.

Energy-efficient appliances also help. For guidance, surf over to energystar.gov, a site established in 1992 by the EPA and the Department of Energy. The site lists more than 40 categories of products, from hot-water heaters to TVs, that save juice. Many are 50 to 70 percent more efficient than conventional products.

Another bright idea: Screw in fluorescent bulbs, which use a third to a quarter of the electricity of standard incandescents and last up to 10 times longer.

Q I'm worried about oil prices, not to mention all the talk about global warming. What are some ways to be more energy efficient at home?

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Get Down Like An 1847 Pioneer

■ In late July, the last thing you might want to commemorate is a midsummer trek halfway across the country, made on foot while pulling handcarts or riding in covered wagons. Sound like something to celebrate? For the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, it is.

July 24 marks Pioneer Day, a holiday honoring the Mormons' 1847 arrival in Utah's Salt Lake Valley from Nauvoo, Ill. It's "a remembrance of the great sacrifices of the pioneers who settled the valley,"

FROG-EYE SALAD

- 1 box Acini de Pepe pasta, cooked
- 2 cans mandarin oranges
- 2 lg. cans crushed pineapple
- 2c. marshmallows
- 1 cup (8 oz.) Cool Whip
- 2 pkgs. instant vanilla pudding

Drain fruit; save juice. Mix juice with pudding, then fold in Cool Whip and remaining ingredients.

said church spokeswoman Kim Farah. Despite the arduous trek, the pioneers remained "a remarkable group of people. The glass was always half-full."

Pioneer Day is also when Utah gets down. To celebrate back east, feast on traditional pioneer foods like buttermilk doughnuts and Johnny cakes (both favorites of church leaders Brigham Young and Joseph Smith). Modern Mormon favorites like frog-eye salad are also summer crowd-pleasers (see recipe above). Other dishes aren't so light: Funeral potatoes consist of cheese, sour cream and potatoes; one serving of this ooey-goey casserole has enough calories to power any trek you might make. JAMIE PAGE DEATON

Pick Your Party Flavor

Updating the old ice cream social is sweet

WITHOUT EVEN REALIZING IT, you've probably already been licking cones and scooping up sorbet in honor of National Ice Cream month. But don't stop with a mere serving of Moose Tracks — throw a full-fledged ice cream social. Here are a few ideas for dishing out a party.

■ The Taste Test

Purists scoff at the notion of light ice cream. But that all changed last year with the introduction of Edy's Slow Churned, which has but half the fat and a third fewer calories than Edy's Grand. "The technology cost \$15 million and took over a decade to develop, but we've done it," said John Harrison, Edy's official ice cream taster. "There's no magic. When you slow it down, it's creamier, and with less fat coating your taste buds, there's more potential for flavor release."

So, full-fat or slow-churned? You and your guests must decide. Buy regular and light versions of the same flavors, then lead folks in a blind taste test. Think of it as a wine tasting, but kid-friendly and less snobby. You may change the minds of folks who don't believe delicious light ice cream is possible. In our trial run, two of five tasters even guessed that Slow Churned was the bad-for-you kind.

■ Ice Cream or Helados

Cookie dough and cake batter just don't thrill mouths the way they used to. The next big flavor sensation is here, and it came from south of the border. This summer, Häagen-Dazs rolled out Mayan Chocolate, a decadent concoction heavy on the cinnamon. Dolcenza (1560 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-4646), the tiny Argentinian gelato cafe in Georgetown, offers several spins on the caramel-y taste of dulce de leche. "The palate is really opening up to Mexican flavors," said co-owner Robb Duncan. He and

"With less fat coating your taste buds, there's more potential for flavor."

his wife/co-owner just returned from Mexico, where they picked up Mexican vanilla (which they'll be using for the next few months), as well as the idea for a new flavor: mango with lime and chili. "You get really zesty fruit up front, followed by a burn," he said.

To bring your guests up to



speed, take home a Dolcenza pint (\$8.50) or gallon (\$48). Or swing by Whole Foods and stock up on the insanely delicious Palapa Azul brand, available in flan, Mexican chocolate, Mexican caramel and sweet corn (\$4/pint).

Duncan discourages the use of toppings with his gelato, and Palapa Azul stands well on its own, too. But serve up scoops in margarita glasses and have guacamole on hand, and you have one heck of a fiesta.

■ Lazy Sundae

If the heat wave fried your brain and you're incapable of party-planning, call in the caterers. To bring Ben & Jerry's to your home or office, just give Andrew Davis at the Old Post Office Pavilion location a call one week in advance (202-842-2887). "We bring everything with us. [You] just need to set up two tables and a trash receptacle," he explained. The scooper will dish out three flavors (vanilla, chocolate and strawberry are most popular, though chocolate fudge brownie holds its own) and revelers can top sundaes with sprinkles, M&Ms and more (\$4.75 per person, \$150 minimum).

If you opt for the Maggie Moo's extravaganza, a "scoop artist" will show up with seven flavors (starts at \$5.49 per person, 50-person minimum, call Kerri Washington at 202-234-7700). Events with more than 300 guests earn a guest appearance from Maggie herself.

Most indie shops won't make house calls. But throwing together a semi-catered function isn't so tough. Alexandria's The Dairy Godmother (2310 Mt. Vernon Ave.; 703-683-7767) will pack up a 2.5-gallon container of its wild flavors for \$45. Who wouldn't be impressed by sangria sorbet made with sour cherry juice, oranges, limes and red wine? A few more bucks buys a bunch of specialty toppings, including oatmeal cookie crumbles. And don't worry about cleanup. Your guests' tongues will take care of that.

VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)

SECRET SOURCE: BANANA APPEAL

Where to Amass Glass

■ Basic bowls will hold your scoops of frozen goodness just fine. But for a more impressive presentation at an ice-cream party, pick up banana-split glasses, advised Liz Davis, owner of the popular Del Ray custard joint, The Dairy Godmother. That's what she uses in her shop: A split dish is "much more fun than a hunk of plastic, which isn't as groovy."

If you're thinking, "What could I possibly do with a load of banana split glasses," well, that's a good point. Others have wrestled with the same question, which is why it's so easy to stockpile a collection. "Go to Goodwill. They always have them on special for 45 cents," Davis said. After a spin through the dishwasher, they'll be ready to contain sugary delights. When Davis' children were younger, she hosted make-your-own-sundae gatherings for the kiddies, then sent them home with their very own banana-split glasses as party favors. V.H.



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FREE RANGE ON FOOD

Picky Guests

Please help! I've invited several of my neighbors over for a cook-out. One couple has stopped eating beef because of mad cow. One couple has stopped eating chicken because of avian flu. Another woman is worried about the mercury in fish, so she'll only eat salmon that isn't farm-raised. I'm beginning to wish I had never invited any of them. What can I serve that isn't tofu? — ARLINGTON, VA

JUDITH WEINRAUB: Wow, some neighbors! We hesitate to encourage their grumpy approach to a cookout invitation, but you've already invited them. In the spirit of neighborliness, our considered opinion is a butterflied leg of lamb with grilled vegetables or a ratatouille (but you wanna bet somebody will complain, so repeat after me: I can't please everybody ...)

Ribs — pork of course. And your neighbors should graciously eat what you put in front of them. Corn also grills up very nicely.

NANCY MCKEON: Another helpful suggestion.

For the Arlington woman with the picky dinner guests, how about grilled pork tenderloin with

pineapple/peach relish and grilled veggies?

JUDITH WEINRAUB: Looks like the picky eater/neighbor problem has struck a nerve.

What about make-your-own kabobs? Chunks of chicken, beef, veggies ... every picky eater can skewer what they please!

JUDITH WEINRAUB: Great idea! Hard to fault that one.

Is it too late to turn the BBQ into a potluck, and let the neighbors bring their own gosh-darn precious food? There's also veggie burgers, or grilled portabellas.

NANCY MCKEON: And there are entire farmers markets filled with wonderful fresh produce, right?

When our neighborhood has BBQs, the standard is that each family brings their own main dish to grill and the host prepares the sides.

JUDITH WEINRAUB: That is a brilliant idea!

You could make it a potluck. Or, as we used to have down south, a fish fry. Fried catfish, shrimp, potatoes corn and hush puppies all outside.

NANCY MCKEON: Another idea.



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- 1/2 liter of vodka ■ 4 to 5 fresh mint sprigs

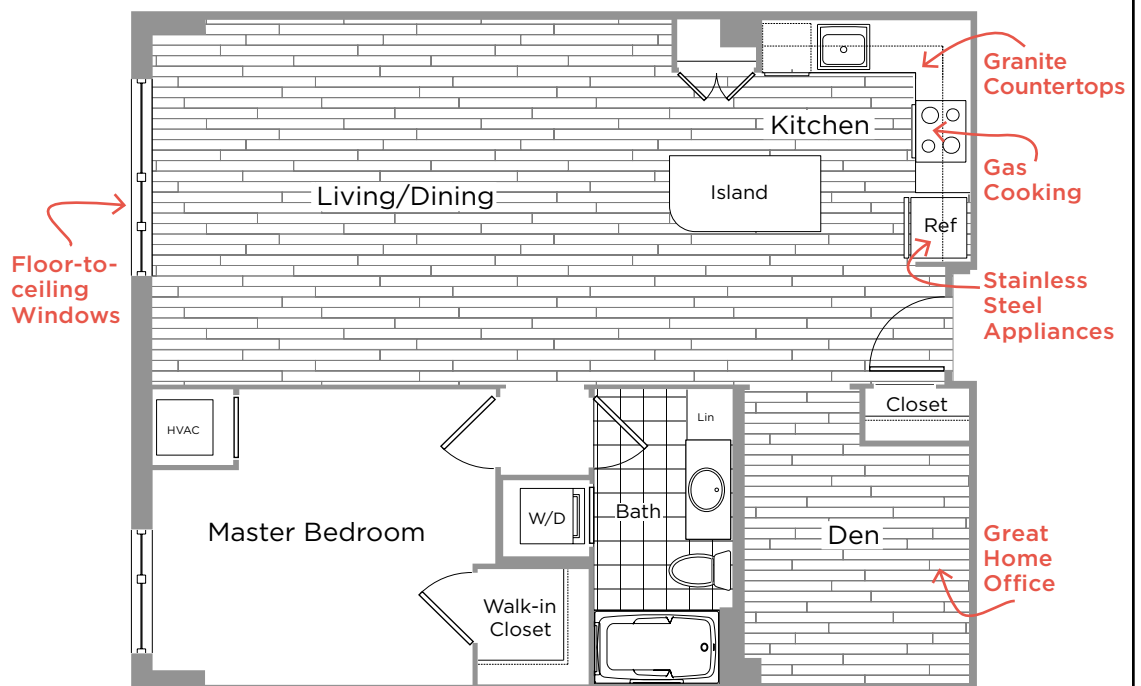
Pour the pineapple slices into a large, nonreactive jar or other container with a lid. Pour the vodka over the fruit and add the mint sprigs. Cover tightly and set aside at room temperature for 24 hours. Strain the vodka and discard the fruit. Refrigerate for up to 10 days.



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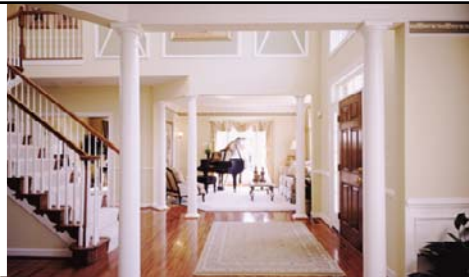
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Gerald Bonner, Oneida Jennings

Gerald is an office mover for C-Systems, Inc. Oneida is a budget analyst for the U.S. Department of Justice. They live in Baltimore.

- **The Main Event:** A small, informal ceremony at the Baltimore Courthouse on July 21.
- **Honeymoon:** A trip to the Poconos.
- **How They Met:** Gerald, a friend of Oneida's brother, helped her fix a flat tire in the Camden Yards parking lot. "He and I got into a confrontation about the fact that I should know how to change my tire ... I knew that I was attracted to him, but I

continued to argue," said Oneida.

■ **First Impressions:** "I would have married him the first day that I met him, because I fell for him that day."

■ **How He Proposed:** When Oneida came home from work, "I got my daughter situated to watch television while I prepared dinner. I turned around to enter the kitchen and saw Gerald on one knee. My daughter said, 'Mommy, this is the part where you are supposed to say 'yes.''"

■ **Their Song:** "I'll Give All My Love to You" by Keith Sweat.

■ **Making It Unique:** It was important to Gerald that the ceremony take place in the same month as the anniversary of their first meeting.

■ **With Unlimited Funds ...** "I would have worn a traditional gown and the reception would be fully catered," said Oneida.

"What I admire most about him is that he is the perfect gentleman."



How Sweet It Is

TRACY BAILEY and ARTHUR CUTLER are a couple with a serious sweet tooth. Their first date was at the Cheesecake Factory in White Flint, said Arthur, because "we're both cheesecake fanatics." "We got there at 7 and we didn't leave until after 12. We were so into our conversation that neither of us noticed." Tracy's love of the creamy dessert almost foiled Arthur's proposal. While at dinner on the Odyssey cruise ship, the waiter brought over a cheesecake with "Will you marry me?" written on the platter. "I almost missed it because I was too busy looking at the cheesecake," said Tracy.

The couple will marry in a Baptist ceremony for 240 guests on Aug. 5 in Newport News. They'll have an East African blessing and a jumping-of-the-broom ceremony, and Arthur will sing John Stoddart's "Angel" to Tracy.

Tracy, 28, is a policy analyst for Altarum. Arthur, 32, is a lawyer and a senior manager for the National Disability Rights Network. They will live in Clinton.



Jeremy Brown, Carrie Collier

Jeremy, 30, is an actor. Carrie, 30, is a law student at Catholic University. They live in Alexandria.

■ **The Main Event:** A semiformal wedding for 170 guests on Aug. 5 at a ranch in Austin, Texas.

■ **How They Met:** On Friendster, then in person a week later.

■ **How He Proposed:** "I thought I was going to a legal networking reception at the Jefferson Hotel," said Carrie. "When I got to the room where it was supposed to be, Jeremy had candles, rose petals, champagne and chocolate-covered strawberries. I didn't think he could surprise me ... but I was pretty stunned."

■ **Stupidest Fight:** "Jeremy decided to cheer against the University of Texas

"As soon as I saw her, all my driving skills were rendered hopeless," said Jeremy.

football team because he thought the opposing team deserved a chance."

■ **When He Knew:** "There wasn't one big moment when I knew this was 'it,'" said Jeremy. "It was more like a series of moments throughout our relationship that the 'it' grew more and more apparent to me."

■ **Wedding Jitters:** "It's in August in Texas — I just hope the air conditioning really works," said Carrie.

■ **Mmm, Cake:** Three tiers and square. The first layer is white with sliced strawberries and cream filling; the other two are lemon with lemon-curd filling.

Margot Hodges, Jason Rosenthal

Margot, 26, is completing her master's degree in social work at Virginia Commonwealth University. Jason, 29, is a senior account supervisor for a health care division of Edelman Worldwide. They live in Arlington.

- **The Main Event:** A traditional Jewish ceremony, followed by a reception for 200 guests in Brookeville, Md., on Aug. 27.
- **Honeymoon:** The Greek islands.
- **How They Met:** On a blind date set up

by their families.

■ **First Impressions:**

"I came from work to meet Jason on the Metro and, at the time, was unfamiliar with using the Metro. I thought, 'Nice guy, but if he doesn't drive me home, that's it!' He did drive me home."

■ **First Date:** Dinner at Rosemary's Thyme Bistro, followed by drinks at the Chi-Cha Lounge.

■ **How He Proposed:** Jason told Margot



they were meeting out-of-town friends at the Tabard Inn. Claiming his pal had given him a key earlier in the day, Jason

opened the door to a room with champagne and roses waiting inside.

■ **Most Hated Clothing Item:** "Margot's ugly red flip-flops."

■ **When They Knew:** "When he helped me through a couple of all-nighters for grad school," said Margot. "After a long car ride where Margot never got sick of my stupid jokes," said Jason.

■ **Their Song:** Sting's "Fields of Gold."

■ **Stupidest Fight:** Whose coffeemaker to use when they moved in together.

■ **Celebrating Heritage:** "We will be married under a huppah, meant to symbolize the home the couple will build together," said Margot.



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